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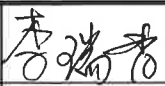
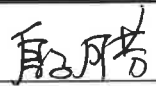
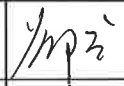
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	microbe	Bacteria <i>Vibrio cholerae</i> ; <i>E. coli</i> Intestinal enterococci	Specification for marine monitoring	Plate method Membrane filter method		张进宝
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The Shipboard Trials of *BSKYTM BWMS* manufactured by Wuxi Brightsky Electronics Co., Ltd. was conducted on Huachang 8 Liquefied petroleum Gas Carrier for 4 trials though the summer and winter, which complied with the time requirements of G8. According to the testing results and the reference of G8 and D-2 standard (Table 5.1), the conclusion was made as follows:

- 1) The organism densities for different size fraction of the 4 Shipboard Trials were various from each other: for the large size fraction ($\geq 50 \mu\text{m}$), the density fluctuated between $1.69 \times 10^2 \text{ ind/m}^3$ and $5.89 \times 10^2 \text{ ind/m}^3$, while the value for small size fraction ($10 \mu\text{m} \sim 50 \mu\text{m}$) was from $1.19 \times 10^2 \text{ cells/ml}$ to $9.32 \times 10^3 \text{ cells/ml}$. All the densities were more than 10 times of the greatest number defined by D-2 standard, as a result, all of the 4 trials were valid.
- 2) Viable organisms ($\geq 50 \mu\text{m}$) were only observed in one sample of the second trial for the effluent water of treated tank during the 4 trials, but the living activity was very weak, it may be die within several hours, no survivals were observed for the other three trials. All the results met the D-2 standard and G8 well.
- 3) For the viable plankton ($10 \mu\text{m} \sim 50 \mu\text{m}$), two samples of the second trials were proved positive for that, the density was 0.04 ind/ml on average, none survivals were observed for the other three trials, the average density for the 4 trials was only 0.01 ind/ml, which met the D-2 standard and G8 requirement.
- 4) The number of heterotrophic bacteria for each trial was 2.89 CFU/100ml, 12.00 CFU/100ml, 6.22 CFU/100ml and 0 CFU/100ml on average, respectively. There were none viable *Vibrio cholerae* observed after an incubation of sample bottles to the treated water from the 4 trials. The number of Intestinal enterococci and *Escherichia coli* colonies were all less than 1 CFU/100ml after treated which met the D-2 standard and G8 requirements.

All in all, according to the results of the Shipboard Trials of the *BSKYTM BWMS*, although several samples of shipboard trial had a slightly higher density of viable organisms than that in the land-based test, the removal effect to different size fraction of organisms still met the D-2 standard and G8 well, and the efficiency of treatment was over 99.9%.

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1 Introduction

Ships transport 5-10 billion tons of ballast water annually all over the world (Endresen et al. 2004). The ballast water is loaded with particulate sediment and an enormous variety of (living) organisms, which ranges from juvenile stages, larvae and eggs of fish and larger zooplankton (Williams et al. 1988; Carlton & Geller 1993) to macroalgae, phytoplankton (Hallegraeff et al. 1997; Hamer et al. 2000), bacteria and viruses (Gollash et al. 1998). In general these organisms belong to the natural ecosystem in and around the port of origin but they might not be occurring naturally in the coastal waters and port of destination at the end of a ship's voyage. In hundreds of cases around the world, this has resulted in severe damage to the receiving ecosystem and to human health, because these non-native organisms developed into a plague. This often has a high impact on the ecosystem and can cause economical damage (Hoagland et al. 2002), as it results in a decrease of stocks of commercially valuable fish and shellfish species and occasionally outbreaks of diseases such as cholera (Ruiz et al. 2000; Drake et al. 2001). If action is not taken, the problem of invasive species will increase in an exponential manner for several reasons. Ships are getting larger, faster and the amount of traffic across the oceans is expected to increase rapidly during the coming decades, and therefore also the chance of non-indigenous organisms to have large enough numbers for settling and expanding. The problem of invasive species is considered as one of the 4 major threats of the world's oceans next to land-based marine pollution, overexploitation of living marine resources, and physical alteration/destruction of habitats. To minimize these risks for the future, the International Maritime Organization (IMO) of the United Nations has adopted the Ballast Water Convention in 2004 (Anonymous 2005). The Convention states that finally all ships (>50,000 in number) should install proper ballast water treatment (BWT) equipment on board between 2009 and 2016. As a temporary and intermediate solution for the time being ship may reduce the risk of invasive species by performing ballast water exchange during their voyage when passing deep water (>200m depth and 200m from the coast) (Zhang F.Z & M Dickman 1999). Ballast water exchange faces many problems as to feasibility, safety and efficacy for a large part of ships' voyages the required depth and/or distance to shore requirements are never met; BW exchange can affect the ships construction stability and in rough seas exchange is not possible because of the risk to ship and crew. Treatment of ballast water is therefore considered to be the best solution of reducing the risk of invasive species. During the recent years numerous solutions for treatment of ballast water have been mentioned and tested with the ultimate goal to reduce the amount of organisms in ballast water (Rigby & Taylor 2001). Recently a ballast water management system developed by Hyundai Group of Korea is firstly installed aboard a super crude ship. The company undertook the order from OSC company at 2008, which was the first time that installing a ballast water treatment equipment aboard a super crude ship. (<http://twitter.com/yonhapcn>) The ballast water treatment research in China is just at the experimental stage. To develop effective ballast water treatment system could play a great role in protecting Chinese even the whole world's ocean environment and reducing the risk of invasive species. First Institute of Oceanography, State Oceanic Administration conducted shipboard trials by using a UV disinfection system developed by Wuxi Brightsky Electronics Co., Ltd. The results of water quality and biology from the trials showed that it is a very effective ballast water treatment system.

2 Description of the facility

2.1 Introduction of the shipboard trials

Four trials were conducted aboard the LPG Carrier Huachang 8 (Figure 2.1) from July 2010 to Jan. 2011 for 6 months to test the efficacy of 'BSKYTM BWMS' (Ballast Water Treatment System). The trials were designed to document system performance under normal seagoing conditions. The flow rate during the trials was up to 250 m³/h. The trials took place during the LPG Carrier's voyage schedule in South and North area of China seas. Trials consisted of determination of water quality parameters and a comparison of biological endpoints in treated and untreated ballast water samples, with reference to both IMO G8 guidelines and D-2 standard. Sampling procedures and endpoint determinations followed IMO G8 guidelines for shipboard trials.

2.2 Information of ship for trial

- Ship name: HuaChang 8
- Type: 3200 m³ Liquefied Petroleum Gas Carrier (LPGC)
- Length overall: 97.0 m
- Length between perpendicular: 90.0 m
- Length of designed waterline: 92.7 m
- Molded breadth: 14.42 m
- Capacity of ballast pump: 250 m³/h
- Total volume of ballast tank: 1574.38 Tons



Figure 2.1 Ship for trials: LPG Carrier Huachang 8

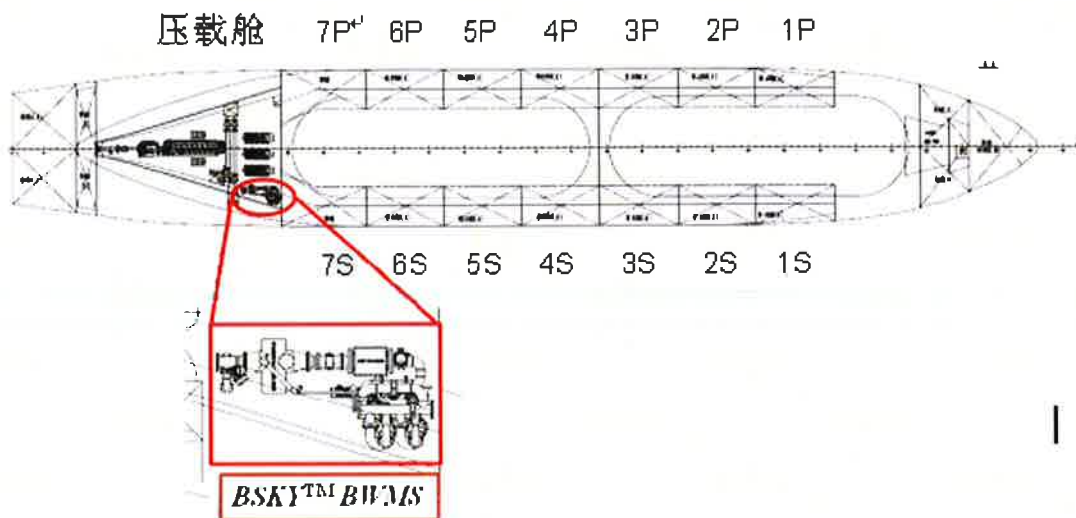


Figure 2.2 The location of *BSKY™ BWMS* inside the carrier

A series of matched tanks (3P, 3S, 5P, 5S) were used in every trial (Table 2.1). Tanks 3P and 3S were prepared for treated ballast water (treatment tank), while Tanks 5P and 5S for untreated water (control tank). At the beginning, 3P and 3S were filled with treated water and 5P and 5S filled with untreated water as the normal ballast water filling procedure (Figure 2.3). The ‘treated first’ protocol was designed to eliminate any possible false ‘positives’ through carry-over of untreated organisms in the ballast water system. For untreated samples, water was filled as the same path as the treated samples, except that the filter was by-passed and the UV unit was deactivated during the ballasting of the control tank.

Table 2.1 Name and volume of testing tanks

	Tank name	Number	Volume(m ³)
Treatment tank	3P	T1	121.2
	3S	T2	121.2
Control tank	5P	C2	111.5
	5S	C1	121.5

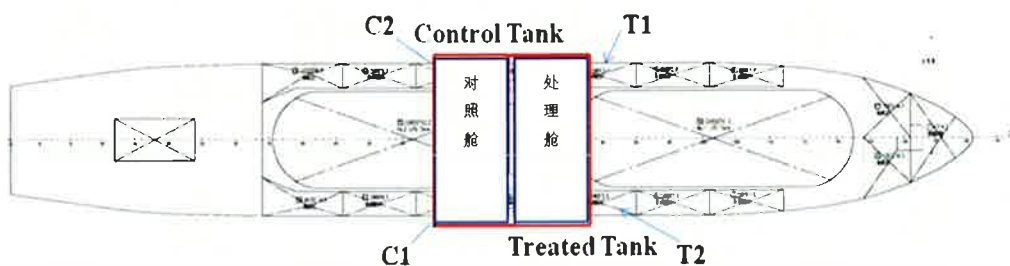


Figure 2.3 The location of the ballast tank for trials

2.3. Date of trials

Trials took place during the LPG Carrier's regular voyage. 4 trials were conducted and the detailed date information of the trials was shown in Table 2.2

Table 2.2 Shipboard Trials of *BSKYTM BWMS*

Trial	ballasting		de-ballasting	
	Site	Date	site	date
I	Huangdao of Qingdao	2010-7-19	Dongguan of Guangdong	2010-7-24
II	Dongguan of Guangdong	2010-7-24	Huangdao of Qingdao	2010-7-29
III	Zhoushan of Zhejiang	2010-8-10	Huangdao of Qingdao	2010-8-15
IV	Dongguan of Guangdong	2011-1-21	Huangdao of Qingdao	2011-1-28

2.4. Trial procedure

2.4.1 Sampling points and equipment

According to the requirement of G8, there were 2 sampling points (P1 and P2) in the shipboard trials.

P1: Before *BSKYTM BWMS*, Point A for influent water (control) during ballasting, Point C for untreated water during de-ballasting.

P2: After passing the *BSKYTM BWMS*, Point B for treated water during ballasting and de-ballasting.

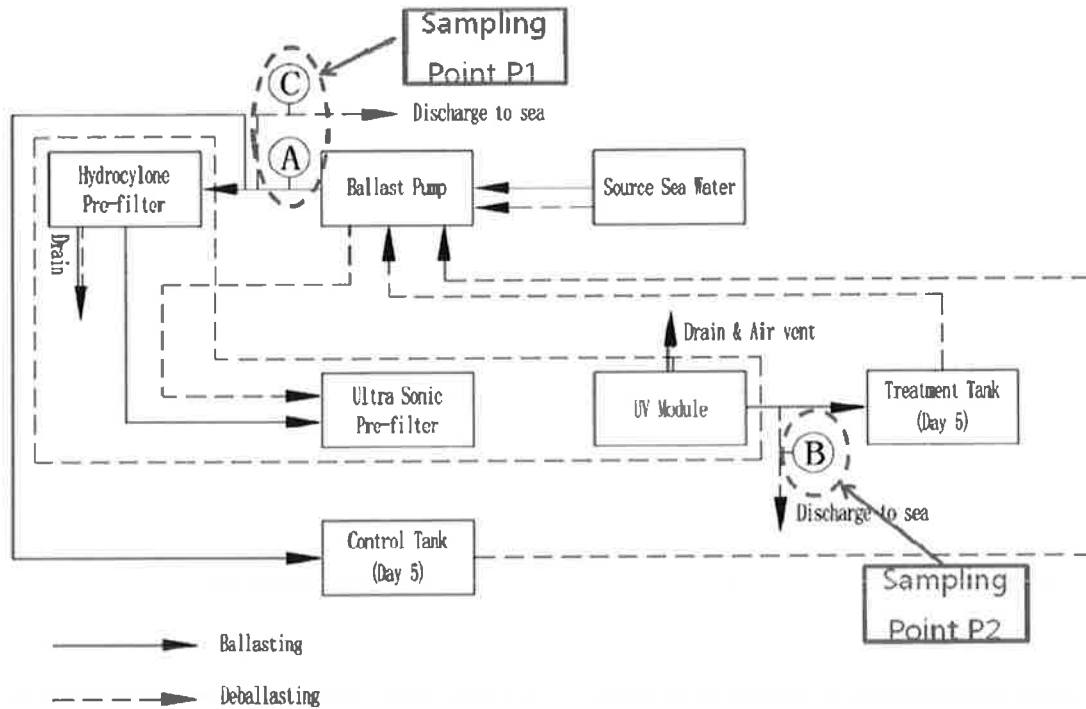


Figure 2.4 Sampling points

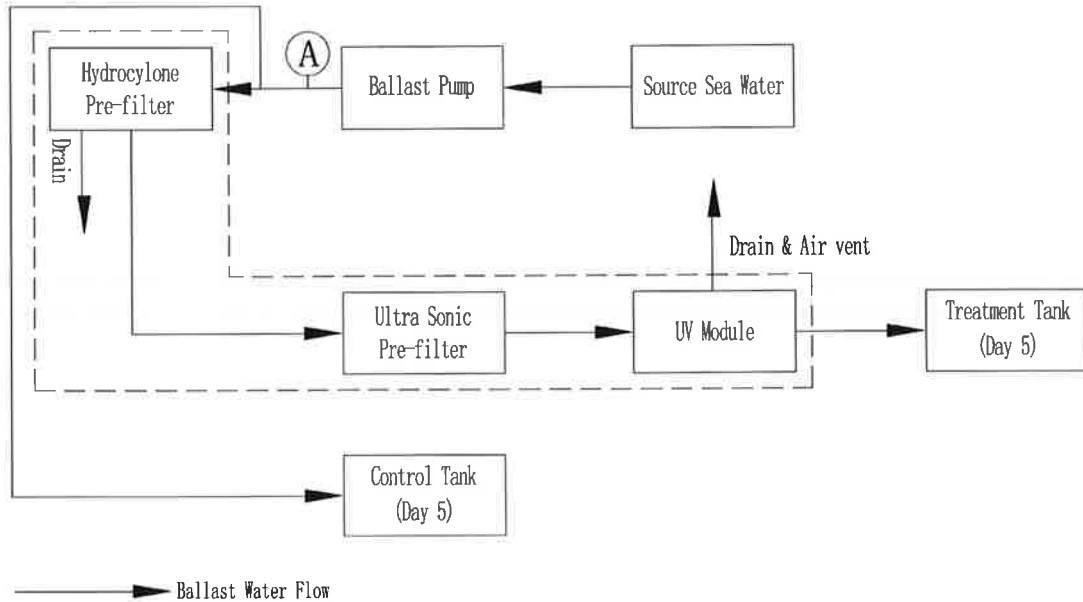


Figure 2.5 Procedure and sampling points at ballasting

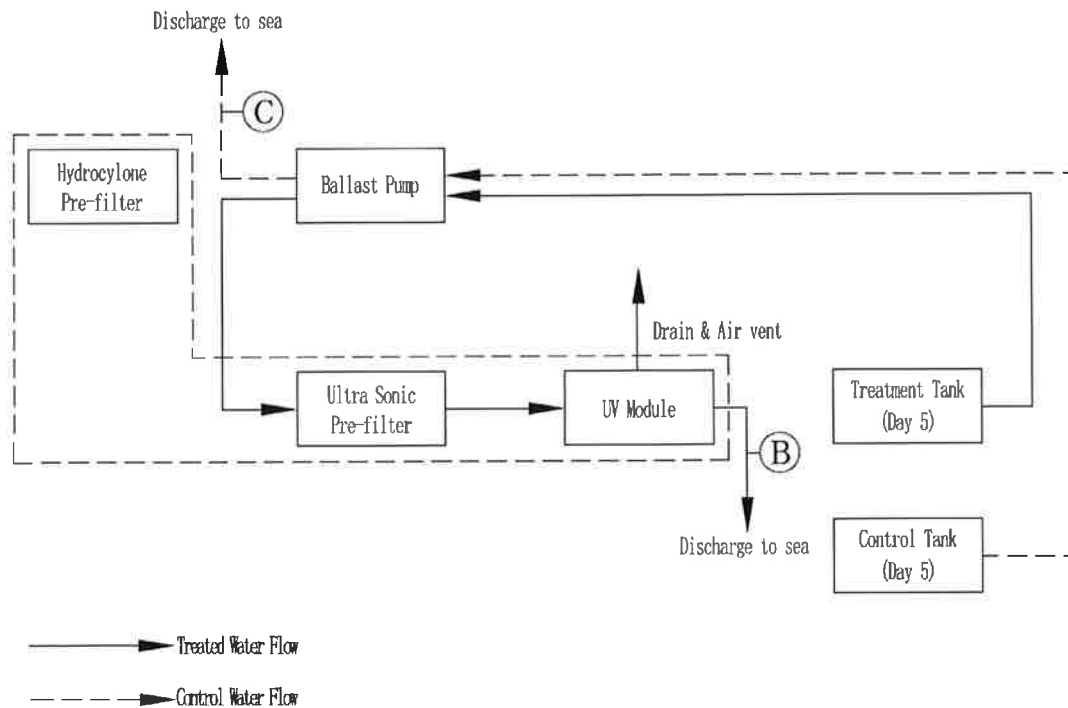


Figure 2.6 Procedure and sampling points at de-ballasting

The sampling device showed in Figure 2.7 was designed according to sampling specification (“California Standard”, Topic 2, Part 3, Chapter 1, Article 4.7). A flow meter was fixed to the outlet of sampling device. The volume and rate of sample flow were $17.4 \text{ m}^3/\text{h}$ and 2.2 m/s respectively. It took about 3.5 minutes to collect 1 m^3 water sample. The *BSKYTM* BWMS was mounted inside of engine room, which was comparatively narrow and not so clean. The sample was collected outside of the engine room through a soft tube.

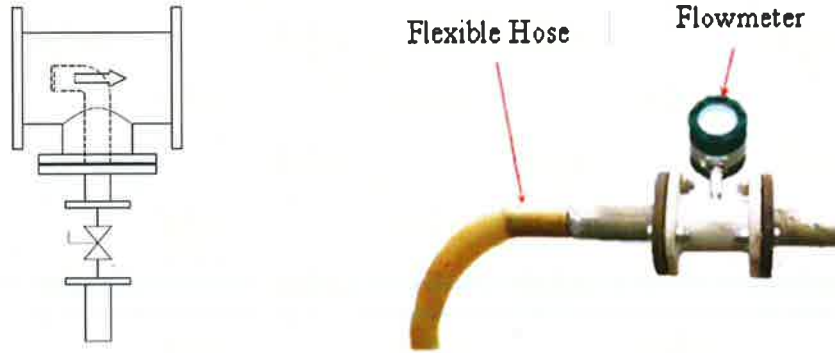


Figure 2.7 Sampling device and connection between flow meter and soft tube

2.4.2 Capacity of the *BSKYTM BWMS* and the trials

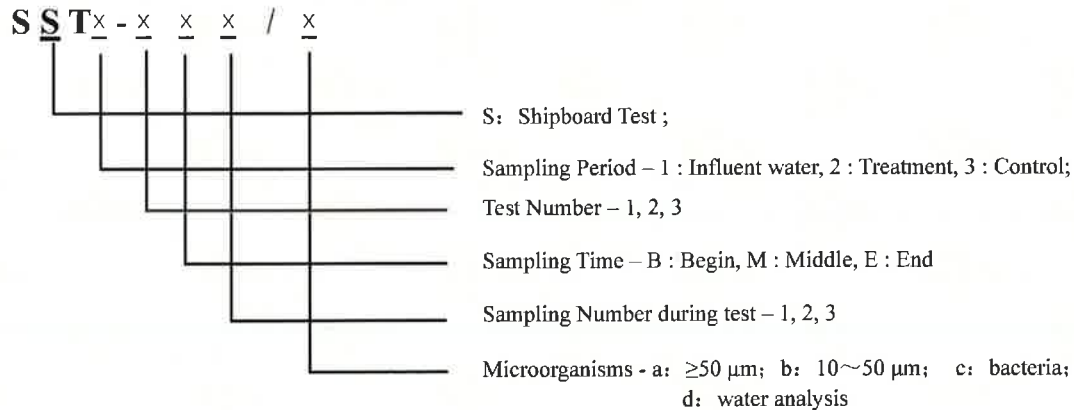
- Capacity: $250 \text{ m}^3/\text{h} \pm 10 \text{ m}^3/\text{h}$
- Treatment: twice treatment, treatment at ballasting and de-ballasting (not pass through hydrocyclone when de-ballast)
- Power consumption: $< 30 \text{ kW}$
- Volume of water for trial: $> 250 \text{ m}^3$ for each trial

2.4.3 Preparation before trials

For the trials, some reconstruction was carried out to mount the *BSKYTM BWMS* in the engine room. A pilot operation of the *BSKYTM BWMS* system was made on the land before it was transferred to the ship. Besides, a pre-trial run was conducted according to the procedure described in Section 2.4 to ensure the normal operation of the system. The overall process of trials was inspected by a supervisor from Nanjing Branch, China Classification Society. All the records of parameters measurement were valid only with the verification of the supervisor.

3 Methods of sampling and analyzing

3.1 Sample tag



3.2 Contents of the trial

The following parameters were measured in the trial :

- **Physical and chemical properties of test water:**
Temperature, pH, Salinity, Turbidity (NTU), Dissolved oxygen, Dissolved organic carbon (DOC), Particulate organic carbon (POC) and Total suspended solids (TSS).
- **Biology:** Organisms ($\geq 50 \mu\text{m}$), Organisms ($10 \mu\text{m} \sim 50 \mu\text{m}$) and photosynthetic activity in some trials.
- **Microbes :** Heterotrophic bacteria, *Escherichia coli*, Intestinal Enterococci, *Vibrio chlorerae*.

3.3 Sampling volume, sampling time and sampling method

Table 3.1 and table 3.2 show the sampling volume and time for various analyses respectively. Except for DO, samples for water quality testing were collected at discharge outlet directly with plastic buckets of 2.5 L. The samples were taken to the lab and well mixed, subsamples were then collected for water quality analysis or pre-treatments. For DO, samples were siphoned to brown bottles using gastight tubing, which was properly fitted to the sampling outlet of the ballast water simulating tanks. Samples for organisms ($\geq 50 \mu\text{m}$) were filtered through a net with diameter of 37 cm at opening and 1 meter length (Figure 3.1). Then the sample was transferred to a small bottle with a tag. Samples for the organisms between $10 \mu\text{m} \sim 50 \mu\text{m}$ were filtered through a net with diameter of 25 cm at opening and 25 cm length (Figure 3.2). 1 L of sample water was filtered and then transferred to small bottles with a tag. Samples for microbes were taken at the outlet directly in order to reduce the contamination of air. What's more, a delayed sampling was necessary to avoid the contamination from the inner of pipe. The sample bottles were treated under high temperature sterilization before sampling. Disposable gloves were worn and sterile operation was conducted as far as possible when sampling.



Figure 3.1 Sieve of $50 \mu\text{m}$



Figure 3.2 Sieve of $10 \mu\text{m}$

Table 3.1 Sampling volume and number of the Shipboard Trials of the *BSKYTM BWMS*

Type	Influent water at ballasting (C0)	Effluent water at de-ballasting of reference (C5)	Effluent water at de-ballasting of treated (T)
DO	150 ml ×1 ×3	150 ml×1×3	150 ml×3×3
NTU、pH、TSS、DOC、POC	2.5 L×1×3	2.5 L×1×3	2.5 L×3×3
Organisms≥ 50 μm	1 M ³ ×1×3	1 M ³ ×1×3	1 M ³ ×3×3
Organisms of 10 μm~50 μm	1 L×1×3	1 L×1×3	1 L×3×3
microbes	500 ml×1×3	500 ml×1×3	500 ml×3×3

Table 3.2 Sampling time of the Shipboard Trials of the *BSKYTM BWMS*

	Sample type	Number	Site	Date	Time (minute)
Trial 1	Influent water (C0)	3	Huangdao of Qingdao	2010-7-19	03:00~41:00
	Effluent water of treated tank after treatment (T)	9	Dongguan	2010-7-24	03:00~53:00
	Effluent water of reference tank when de-ballast (C5)	3	Dongguan	2010-7-24	03:00~41:00
Trial 2	Influent water (C0)	3	Dongguan	2010-7-24	03:00~41:00
	Effluent water of treated tank after treatment (T)	9	Huangdao of Qingdao	2010-7-29	03:00~53:00
	Effluent water of reference tank when de-ballast (C5)	3	Huangdao of Qingdao	2010-7-29	03:00~41:00
Trial 3	Influent water (C0)	3	Zhoushan	2010-8-10	03:00~41:00
	Effluent water of treated tank after treatment (T)	9	Huangdao of Qingdao	2010-8-15	03:00~53:00
	Effluent water of reference tank when de-ballast (C5)	3	Huangdao of Qingdao	2010-8-15	03:00~41:00
Trial 4	Influent water (C0)	3	Dongguan	2011-1-21	03:00~41:00
	Effluent water of treated tank after treatment (T)	9	Huangdao of Qingdao	2011-1-28	03:00~53:00
	Effluent water of reference tank when de-ballast (C5)	3	Huangdao of Qingdao	2011-1-28	03:00~41:00

Table 3.3 Sampling time for different kind of samples during the trials

type		Sampling time (min: sec)	Volume and number				Sample site
			Water quality	$\geq 50\mu\text{m}$	$10\mu\text{m} \sim 50\mu\text{m}$	Heterotrophic bacteria	
A	Influent water when ballast(C0)	03:00	2.5 L	1 m^3	1 L	500 ml	A (P1)
		22:00	2.5 L	1 m^3	1 L	500 ml	
		41:00	2.5 L	1 m^3	1 L	500 ml	
B	Effluent water after second treatment (T)	03:00~22:00	$2.5 \text{ L} \times 3$	$1 \text{ m}^3 \times 3$	$1 \text{ L} \times 3$	$500 \text{ ml} \times 3$	B (P2)
		22:00~41:00	$2.5 \text{ L} \times 3$	$1 \text{ m}^3 \times 3$	$1 \text{ L} \times 3$	$500 \text{ ml} \times 3$	
		41:00~53:00	$2.5 \text{ L} \times 3$	$1 \text{ m}^3 \times 3$	$1 \text{ L} \times 3$	$500 \text{ ml} \times 3$	
C	Effluent water of reference tank when de-ballast (C5)	03:00	2.5 L	1 m^3	1 L	500 ml	C (P1)
		22:00	2.5 L	1 m^3	1 L	500 ml	
		41:00	2.5 L	1 m^3	1 L	500 ml	

3.4 The treatment and storage of samples

3.4.1 The treatment and storage of samples for water quality testing

The conditions of a normal office in the ship were suitable for the analysis usually. Samples can be analyzed in lab of ship once collected. The equipments for testing on-spot were taken to the ship in advance, debugging was necessary before testing to ensure its normality. All the samples should be analyzed or pre-treated within 6 h after collected. The temperature and salinity were determined with RBR directly when sampling, DO, pH and NTU were measured on-spot, samples for TSS, POC and DOC testing were stored in refrigerator in ship if collected out of Qingdao ports, and taken back to Qingdao together with samples of de-ballasting in Huangdao using incubators or ice box, immediately saved at -20°C for further analysis when the samples arrived at Qingdao.

3.4.2 The treatment and storage of samples for biological analysis

After the samples were collected, analysis was immediately conducted. Viable organisms ($\geq 50 \mu\text{m}$ and $10 \mu\text{m} \sim 50 \mu\text{m}$) were respectively counted with a stereo microscope and an inverted microscope in the field lab. After the counting, samples were fixed (formalin was used for organisms $\geq 50 \mu\text{m}$; and Lugol's solution for organisms $10 \mu\text{m} \sim 50 \mu\text{m}$). After the whole test was completed, these samples were taken back to our lab in Qingdao to make further identification and counting. In order to promote the efficiency of determination, the efficiency of photosynthesis of phytoplankton were also measured in the two first trials. Samples for microbes testing must be collected with sterile operation, sample bottles were treated with high temperature pasteurization. Inoculation in the lab on site should be conducted immediately after sampling the samples would be cultivated in optimal conditions in incubator.

3.5 Methods and basis for analysis

3.5.1 Physical and chemical properties of test water:

1) **Temperature:** Using a RBR temperature sensor to measure the water temperature inside of the sample

bottles quickly.

2) **Salinity**: Using a RBR salinity sensor to measure the water salinity directly.

3) **pH**: pH-metric method, subsamples were measured on-site using a pH meter.

4) **NTU**: Spectrophotometric method. Subsamples were measured on-site using a spectrophotometer.

Turbidity of subsamples was measured on-site using a spectrophotometer, determine the absorbance value at 660 nm wavelength.

5) **DO**: Winkler method. Samples were siphoned to special brown bottles using gastight tubing, which was properly fitted to the sampling outlet of the ballast water simulating tanks. These brown sample bottles were flushed with water volume more than 3 times of bottles' volume. The bottles were kept at dark containers until for further analysis. 1.0 ml of MnCl_2 and 1.0 ml of KI solutions were added to samples bottles before determining and inverted the bottles 20 times to mix the samples completely, then added 1.0 ml of H_2SO_4 solution to dissolve the precipitation, titrated with standard $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ solution and calculated the oxygen concentration expressed with mg/L.

6) **TSS**: Weight method pre-weighted glass fiber filters are used. Each filter was coded and stored in a clean petri dish. The filtered volume was dependent on the particle matter and concentration and type of organisms present in the water. The higher the total particle matter in the sample, the smaller was the volume that could be filtered before the filter clogs. Practical volumes were between 100 ml and 1000 ml per sample, after filtration the filter was rinsed with fresh water (Mili Q) to remove sea salt. Filters were dried overnight at 60 °C and allowed to cool in a vacuum desiccator before weighting. The total amount of suspended solids was calculated from the weight increase of the filter.

7) **POC**: High temperature combustion method, measured with an elemental analyzer. Water samples were filtered over pre-weighted glass fibre with 450°C combustion(the filtered volume was dependent on the particle load and concentration of organisms present in the water), and then measured with the elemental analyzer (ElementarVarioELIII, produced by German), three parallel samples for each sample.

8) **DOC**: High temperature combustion method, measured with TOC- V_{CPH} analyzer made in Japan for analysis. Samples for DOC (15 ml) were filtered through GF/F filters and sealed in pre-combusted glass ampoules after adding 50 μl of phosphoric acid (H_3PO_4), stored at -20 °C and taken back to our lab in Qingdao. Further measurement was conducted after samples were defrosted to room temperature. Standards were prepared with potassium hydrogen phthalate (Nacalao Tesque, Inc, Kioto, Japan). The mean concentration was calculated from triplicates of each sample. The average analytical precision of the instrument is < 3 %.

3.5.2 Biology

The majority of the large size fraction ($\geq 50 \mu\text{m}$) consists of zooplankton, while the majority of the small size fraction ($10 \mu\text{m} \sim 50 \mu\text{m}$) consists of phytoplankton. Samples were filtered over a $50 \mu\text{m}$ and a $10 \mu\text{m}$ sieve respectively (volume of filtered water is shown on Table 3.1). Then it was concentrated to 150 ml and poured into small plastic bottles, wash the sieve twice and transfer the flushing fluid to the plastic bottles together,

the samples for human pathogens analysis were taken in sterile sealed bottles.

1) Organisms : $\geq 50 \mu\text{m}$

After sampling, identification and counting of viable organisms were taken with a stereo microscope before fixed. The whole sample for treated and control in discharge were determined, For influent water sample at ballasting, if the density of organisms is high, subsamples is suggested to be taken with a quantified sampling tube or a sample splitter which can separate the sample into 1/2, 1/5, 1/5 and 1/10 subsamples, and then analyzing one of the subsamples according to density. The examination of organism's activities was taken at $20\times\sim 160\times$ magnification, give a record of identification and counting of viable individual. The states of organisms for this size fraction were easy to determine from their moving activity stimulated by light exposure careful stimulation with a fine needle under the stereomicroscope. When the counting of viable organisms was over, formaldehyde solution (the last concentration is 5%) was added to fix samples. A further identification and total amount of organisms was conducted after the samples were taken back to Qingdao. Then calculating the number using the unit ind/m^3 .

The abundance of organisms:

$$C_B = \frac{N_B}{V}$$

where:

C_B — density of zooplankton per volume, unit (ind/m^3);

N_B — total number, unit(individual or cell) ;

V — the volume of filtering, unit (m^3).

2) Organisms : $10 \mu\text{m}\sim 50 \mu\text{m}$:

It is difficult to count all the organisms for $10 \mu\text{m}\sim 50 \mu\text{m}$, a practical method is to adjust the concentration of the cell to a constant value, after a proper mixing, take 1ml of well-distributed samples randomly and count with a counting chamber. The examination of organism's activities was taken with an invert microscope, give a record of identification and counting. For the untreated waters samples, we observe the activities of organisms before fixing and keep the record, usually we consider all of the organisms ($10 \mu\text{m}\sim 50 \mu\text{m}$) viable according to the high yield value (F_v/F_m , usually > 0.4) which is known as a index of photosynthetic activity determined by Phyto-PAM, as a result, the counting for them was simple as described; for treated water samples, the identification and counting of viable organisms ($10 \mu\text{m}\sim 50 \mu\text{m}$) were conducted immediately after the sample was collected, it was easy to identify the states of the flagellate-algae by its moving under the microscope, but for non-flagellate algae(especially for diatoms) this can be difficult, however, from the decreased yield value (< 0.05), we believe that the physiological activity of viable organisms, if do exist, was greatly weakened although the concentration of Chlorophyll may be high, and the death rate could be calculated with the yield values of samples before and after treated. When the counting of viable organisms was over, formaldehyde solution (the last concentration is 1%) was added to fix samples. A further identification and total amount of organisms was conducted after the samples were taken back to Qingdao. Then calculating the number using the unit cell/L .

The expression is :

$$C = \frac{n \cdot V_1}{V_2 \cdot V_n}$$

Where:

C — organisms number per volume of sea water unit (cell/L);

N — counting number, unit (cell);

V_1 — sample volume after concentrated, unit (ml);

V_2 — sample filtered over small sieve, unit (L); (influent water of control 1L, treated water at discharge 10 L)

V_n — sample volume for counting, unit (ml). (we have two kind of counting chamber : 1ml and 0.5 ml).

3) The measuring method for photosynthetic activity

The photosynthetic activity (Fv/Fm) of phytoplankton with Phyto-PAM (Pulse-Amplitude Modulated fluorometer) was measured only in the two first trials. This instrument were used to other urvey project during the later trials. Otherwise, when the test ship arrived Qingdao harbor to ballast or de-ballast, some samples were stained by FDA-PI and observed in inverted fluorescence microscope.

(1) Sample collection

- a) Water samples are collected, sample-rinsed Polyethylene bottles filled by hand
- b) Samples are transported to the laboratory in ship and analyzed in 2 hours.

(2) Setup

- a) Turn on computer and Phyto-PAM machine.
- b) Turn off the Emitter-Detector Unit (ED).
- c) Launch PhytoWin software program.
- d) Check the Fluorescence values (data row F and Channels page). Values should be zero when the ED unit is off. A negligible reading of ± 8 is acceptable.
- e) Click Report tab to bring up report page. Enter sample run information including date, run name and number, and collection info. Enter the Sample ID before running each sample.
- f) Click Light Curve tab and turn on Blue, Green, and Brown in the Select box.

(3) Sample Analysis

- a) The samples need a dark adaptation of 15 minutes.
- b) Clean cuvette with deionized water and ethanol and dry completely, use Kimwipes to handle and clean the cuvette.
- c) Transfer 3 ml of sample into the cuvette and place into ED unit. Keep ED unit cover on whenever possible. When removing the cover, be sure the ED unit is turned off.
- d) Turn on the ED unit.
- e) From the Channels page, press the Gain button to run automatic gain adjustment. It often takes 2 or 3 times to settle on a proper gain. Keep pressing Gain until the same reading comes up for a few consecutive times.
- f) Turn off ED unit.
- g) Remove cuvette, discard sample, and clean with deionized water.

- h) Filter about 3 ml of sample through a 0.2 μm filter into clean cuvette.
- i) Place cuvette with filtrate into ED unit and turn it on, wait for Green Light at the bottom of the screen to come on, stable data measurement.
- j) Click the Zoff button to set an automatic baseline adjustment for the sample.
- k) Turn off ED unit.
- l) Remove cuvette and discard filtrate.
- m) Transfer 3 ml of sample (unfiltrate) into the cuvette.
- n) Place in ED unit and turn it on. Wait for Green Light.
- o) Click Start One button and wait for measurement. Wait for Green Light.
- p) Click Chl(Fo) button and wait for measurement. Wait for Green Light.
- q) Go to Light Curve page by clicking the tab. When light at bottom of page is green, click Light Curve button to initiate light curve. When curve is finished, click Fit button.
- r) Go to Options Menu at top of page, and select Light Curve Fit Parameters.
- s) Copy the data to a Pam Data Sheet.
- t) Go to the File Menu and Save the report in the appropriate folder.
- u) Return to the Channels page, click New Record button and turn off the Zoff.some.

4) The staining method of 10 μm ~ 50 μm organisms by FDA-PI

Subsamples will be stored with no light and transported to laboratory. In the laboratory, FDA will first be added to the sample; after fully mixing PI will be added to the sample. Under blue light (Max wavelength: 495 nm), alive cells are stained to be bright green and dead cells are stained to be red. Quantity of organisms will be observed and counted by using fluorescence microscope.

Cell staining. The supernatant was discarded and the cell stained with FDA-PI.

A stock solution of fluorescein diacetate (Sigma) was prepared by dissolving 5 mg/ml in acetone. FDA working solution was freshly prepared by adding 0.04 ml of stock to 10 ml of Dulbecco's phosphate buffered saline (DPBS). To stain with FDA-PI 0.1 ml (2 μg) of FDA working solution and 0.03 ml (0.6 μg) resuspended cells, cells were stained for 3 min at room temperature then placed on ice.

3.5.3 Analysis of human pathogens

Inoculation should be taken immediately, then sealed the samples with complete plastic bag and took back to our lab in Qingdao, cultured under optimal temperature condition and determine the number of colony forming units (cfu's) according to international standard.

1) Heterotrophic bacteria: plate method

Principles: After incubation of a sample, the dispersed bacteria will develop into isolated colonies. A visible colony on solid medium represents one bacterial cell. The number of heterotrophic bacteria is obtained by counting the number of colonies. The key of this technique is to disperse the heterotrophic bacteria completely and to dilute bacterial sample to several solutions with different concentration. Small volume of diluted solution (containing 100 cells to 200 cells or less) is spread evenly over the surface of the solid medium.

Procedures: 1 ml Tween solution was added to 100 ml sample. The sample was well mixed to separate the

organisms and kept them separated. Take 1ml of the sample with a sterile pipette to a test tube filled with 9 ml of disinfected sea water. After a thorough mixing, 0.1ml of solution was taken and inoculated on the surface of solid medium (2216E) in a Petri dish. Then it was spread evenly with a sterile, L-shaped glass rod. The dish was incubated at 25 °C for 7d, and then it was taken out for counting the number of colonies.

2) *vibrio cholerae*: plate method

The total amount of vibrio is one of the important parameter for indicating water pollution levels of human pathogens. TCBS selective medium is chosen to examine the amount of vibrio. After the inoculation to the medium in a dish, the dish was incubated for a certain time under optimal conditions. Then the vibrio colonies were counted.

Procedure: 1ml of sample was pipette with sterile operation and inoculated into a test tube with BTB medium solution. It was incubated for 18h at 37 °C. The bacterial solution shown a positive reaction was taken and lined on TCBS plate, which will be cultivated for 18h at 37°C. The colonies with green, blue-green and yellow color will be inoculated on CPA plate with tilted surface. Series experiments including the gram stain, oxidase testing, motility and 0/139 sensibility testing of vibriocin for the bacterial colonies separated were conducted. Check the MPN tube number of the bacterial strain with characteristics of vibrio and calculate the number according to the MPN Table.

3) *Escherichia coli*: membrane filter technique

The water sample was filtered through a membrane filter. After filtration, the heterotrophic bacteria were on the membrane. Then the filter was placed on a selective solid medium and there should be no entrapment of air. After incubation, the *Escherichia coli* colonies on the membrane were identified and counted. The number of *Escherichia coli* per liter sea water was then worked out.

procedure: 100 ml of sample water was filtered through an acetates membrane with pore diameter of 0.2µm. After filtration, the heterotrophic bacteria were remained on membrane. The membrane was placed on the surface of a solid medium (M-TEC) without any entrapment of air. After 0.5 h cultivation with the plate inverted in an incubator at 37 °C, it was transferred to another incubator with 44 °C for a continuous cultivation of 18 h-24 h. The *Escherichia coli* colonies on the membrane were counted and identified. The number of *Escherichia coli* per liter sea water was then worked out.

4) *Intestinal enterococci*: membrane filter technique

PSE agar plate with selective culture medium is chosen to test the total number of intestinal enterococci. After inoculation, the plate is cultivated in an incubator at 37 °C for a certain time. The bacterial colonies with characteristics of intestinal enterococci were counted. The colonies may be isolated and purified for further identification. The procedure is the same as that for *Escherichia coli*.

3.5.4 Guidelines and Specifications followed

1) Guidelines for approval of ballast water management systems (G8) Resolution MEPC. 174 (58)

According to the D-2 Standard of the IMO/MEPC Convention of 2004 (Anonymous 2005) ships that meet the requirements of the Convention by meeting the ballast water performance standard must discharge:

- (1) Less than 10 viable organisms per cubic metre greater than or equal to 50 micrometers in minimum dimension;
- (2) Less than 10 viable organisms less than 50 micrometers in minimum dimension and greater than or equal to 10 micrometers in minimum dimension ;
- (3) Less than the following concentrations of indicator microbes, as a human health standard:
 - ① Toxicogenic *Vibrio cholerae* (serotypes O1 and O139) with less than 1 colony forming unit (CFU) per 100 milliliters or less than 1 CFU per 1 gramme (wet weight) of zooplankton samples:
 - ② *Escherichia coli* less than 250 CFU 100 milliliters;
 - ③ *Intestinal Enterococci* less than 100 CFU per 100 milliliters.
- 2) *BSKYTM BWMS* ultraviolet light disinfection system approval of testing program
- 3) Part 5 of the specification for oceanographic survey-chemistry (GB/T12763.5-2007)
- 4) Part 6 of the specification for oceanographic survey-biology (GB/T12763.6-2007)
- 5) The specification for marine monitoring-Part 7: water quality monitoring and analysis (GB17378.4-2007)
- 6) The specification for marine monitoring-Part 7: Ecological survey for offshore pollution and biological monitoring (GB17378.7-2007)
- 7) Manual on harmful marine microalgae, G.M. Hallegraeff, D.M. Anderson and A.D. Cambella. Intergovernmental oceanographic commission. Manuals and Guides 33. 1995.Paris.

Table 3.4 Summary of parameters, method, sensibility and guidelines of the test

Parameters	Unit	MDL	Method of analysis	Sensibility	Guideline
temperature	°C	NA	RBR temperature sensor	0.1 °C	The specification for oceanographic survey
Salinity	PSU	1.0	RBR salinity sensor	0.1PSU~ 0.2 PSU	The specification for oceanographic survey
pH	pH	0.0	pH meter	0.01 pH	The specification for marine monitoring
DO	mg/L	0.1 0.2	winkler method	0.05 mg/L	The specification for marine monitoring, specification for oceanographic survey
NTU	NTU	0.1	spectrophotometric method	0.1 NTU	The specification for oceanographic survey
DOC	mg/L	0.36	high temperature combustion method		The specification for marine monitoring
POC	mg/L	0.1	high temperature combustion method		The specification for marine monitoring
TSS	mg/L	1.0	Weight method		The specification for oceanographic survey
Organisms ≥50 µm	ind/ml	1.0	Filtered and condensed with 50 µm sieve , count with microscope		The specification for oceanographic survey
Organisms 10 µm~50 µm	cell/ml	1.0	Filtered and condensed with 10 µm sieve , count with invert microscope		Hallegraeff.G.M ,D.M. Anderson and A.D. Cambella
heterotrophic bacteria	CFU/ml	1.0	Plate method		The specification for marine monitoring
<i>E.coli</i>	CFU/ml	1.0	Filter membrane method		The specification for marine monitoring
Intestinal enterococci	CFU/ml	1.0	Fecal Streptococcus and Enterococcus group		Standard Method 9230 or MM-FS-CNJ-0351 or ISO4833-2003
<i>Vibrio cholerae</i>	CFU/ml	1.0	Plate method		The specification for marine monitoring

3.6 Quantity control

3.6.1 Measures for quality assurance

3.6.1.1 Measures of sampling at test site for quality assurance

All samples were collected on the test site. The water samples were distributed into bottles with tags or labels. To avoid or reduce contamination, the sample bottles were cleaned with hydrochloric acid (samples for pH measurement were not included), then washed with pure water at least twice. Before sampling, the bottles were washed twice again with the sea water of test site. The sample bottles for microbes were autoclaved. The culture medium for microbes incubation were prepared in the lab. Before the test, they were disinfected at test site. Small plankton nets with 50 μ m and 10 μ m mesh size were used for filtering the organisms ($\geq 50\mu$ m) and the organisms (10 μ m~50 μ m) respectively. After that, the samples were concentrated and transferred into small sample bottles.

3.6.1.2 Measures of storage and transport of samples for quality assurance

During the operations of filtration and distribution of samples, measures against contamination were adopted. When collecting sample for POC, DOC and microbes, it is required to wear gloves. The samples, such as DOC, and POC can not be analyzed at test site. They were stored under frozen after pre-treatment. During transportation, they were in a container with dry ice. Plankton samples were fixed and the sample bottles were sealed. Then they were taken back to lab in Qingdao for further analysis.

3.6.2 Quantity control

3.6.2.1 Quantity control of analysis

- All analytical equipments used have to meet the requirements of the test.
- The samples need to be carefully checked prior to analysis. That is the samples are kept well. The inside and outside labels coincide with the records taken during the test.
- Equipment must be still in normal condition after the analysis.
- When abnormal results were suspected, the causes should be found out in time and explanation and correction should be made. There is a need to repeat the analysis if necessary.
- Except for postgraduate students, all of the staff conducting measurements and analyses should be qualified to do marine environmental monitoring with certificate. The students have to take in special technical training and their work will be supervised.

3.6.2.2 Quantity control during the trials

- A technical introduction and work allocation about the test will be given to all participating staff. Everyone must clearly understand his/her responsibility for work and results.
- The equipments should be checked as soon as they were in the test site to see if everything is OK. There will be another check when the equipment was set up to see if it runs normally. The equipment will be calibrated if necessary. All these activities will be recorded.
- All samplings and analyses follow relevant valid version of standards, guidelines and specifications.
- The equipment will be checked when all work were finished. It should be in normal condition.

- If the analysis was interrupted or some changes of sampling or analysis have to be made, it should be reported first to the leader of the test. The work could be continued only if it was approved.

3.6.2.3 Quantity control of equipments used

All the equipments were examined by legal authority designated by state. The allowance should be still valid. If the equipment needs only self examination, it should be examined by relevant experts prior to the test.

3.6.3 The raw records

- 1) The raw records reflect the exact results of sampling and analyses. Any change and deletion of them is strictly prohibited. The raw records of sampling have to be checked by the supervisor from Nanjing Branch, China Classification Society with his/her signature at the test site.
- 2) Tables with unified format should be used for taking the raw records. The use of pencil was not allowed except there is a special definition. The Tables should be filled out completely with signature of the analyzer and proofreader.
- 3) The determination of significant digits and data processing of the raw data should strictly follow the relevant definition in the National standards of China --The Specification for Oceanographic Survey (GB/T12763-2008) and the Specification for Marine Monitoring (GB17378.7-2007).

4 Results

4.1 Physical parameters

The temperature and salinity of water samples in the first trial, when ballasting in Qingdao were 23.7 °C and 31.4 PSU, respectively, while at de-ballasting in Dongguan, the temperature raised by 5.6 °C, the salinity reduced slightly. When ballasting at Dongguan in the second trial, the temperature was up to 29.9 °C, while the salinity which slightly increased (1.3 PSU) when de-ballasting back to Qingdao was only 0.8 PSU because of the ebbing. The temperature reduced by 4 °C at de-ballasting in Qingdao. The ballasting of the third trial took place at an anchorage of Zhoushan, Zhejiang province where the salinity and temperature of water samples were 27.8 PSU and 25.8 °C, respectively, which not changed apparently. The last trial ballasting in Dongguan showed a temperature of 15.4 °C on average, the salinity was 6.0 PSU higher compared to that in summer of this sea area, which may be caused by tiding when ballasting. When the ship went back to Qingdao, the temperature declined more than 10 °C.

Table 4.1 Salinity and temperature of water during the Shipboard Trials of the *BSKYTM BWMS*

Trial	Ballast				De-ballast			
	Site	Date	Salinity (PSU)	Temp. (°C)	Site	Date	Salinity (PSU)	Temp. (°C)
I	Huangdao of Qingdao	2010-7-19	31.4	23.7	Dongguan	2010-7-24	31.0	29.3
II	Dongguan	2010-7-24	0.8	29.9	Huangdao of Qingdao	2010-7-29	1.3	25.8
III	Zhoushan	2010-8-10	27.8	25.8	Huangdao of Qingdao	2010-8-15	27.6	26.1
IV	Dongguan	2011-1-21	6.7	15.4	Huangdao of Qingdao	2011-1-28	5.8	4.14

4.2 Chemical parameters

A summary of the results of the chemical parameters is presented in Table 4.2 for the four trials, which shows that it was greatly different between trials in the water quality. The NTU in Qingdao port was the lowest, while the water condition in Dongguan was identical to fresh water, and the NTU was the highest. The DO closely related to temperature was lowest in Dongguan during 3 trials in summer the average value was only 4.19 mg/L. The lowest pH took place in summer and winter trials in Dongguan, was 7.69 and 7.35, respectively. While in Qingdao and Zhoushan, the pH was nearly 8.00. The concentration of TSS fluctuated from 1.63 to 54.20 mg/L. The POC was relatively low (less than 1.00 mg/L) except that the value in Dongguan sea area was over 2.00 mg/L in summer, especially the POC of de-ballasting water was even less than 0.50 mg/L, no matter it was in the treated tank or the reference tank. On the other hand, the concentration of DOC was apparently higher than POC except in summer in Dongguan, the concentration of DOC in Qingdao was nearly 7 times of POC and in Zhoushan it was about 4 times, while it was 1 time and 10 times in summer and winter in Dongguan, respectively.

Table 4.2 Testing results of NTU, DO, pH, TSS, POC and DOC concentrations during the Shipboard Trials of the *BSKYTM BWMS*

Trial 1 Qingdao (ballast) – Dongguan (de-ballast) 2010.7.19 - 2010.7.24						
parameter	Influent water		Effluent water(day 5)			
	Average	SD	Effluent water of the reference		Effluent water of treated	
			Average	SD	Average	SD
NTU	2.40	0.20	4.74	0.69	3.17	0.19
DO (mg/L)	7.23	0.13	6.71	0.17	6.38	0.17
pH	7.90	0.02	7.98	0.03	7.94	0.02
TSS (mg/L)	27.6	5.07	19.05	1.54	10.50	10.93
POC (mg/L)	0.50	0.11	0.15	0.01	0.23	0.07
DOC (mg/L)	3.55	2.13	1.87	0.25	1.89	0.40
Trial 2 Dongguan (ballast) – Qingdao (de-ballast) 2010.7.24 - 2010.7.29.						
NTU	26.29	2.87	1.77	0.15	1.95	0.24
DO (mg/L)	4.19	0.19	5.10	0.53	4.33	0.15
pH	7.69	0.02	7.02	0.03	7.02	0.04
TSS (mg/L)	42.00	7.69	8.67	2.60	5.71	2.62
POC (mg/L)	2.11	0.09	0.41	0.02	0.34	0.02
DOC (mg/L)	2.28	0.80	1.86	0.27	2.26	0.13
Trial 3 Zhoushan (ballast) – Qingdao (de-ballast) 2010.8.10 - 2010.8.15						
NTU	14.08	2.40	0.95	0.42	0.50	0.20
DO (mg/L)	6.36	0.11	6.40	0.07	6.39	0.11
pH	7.93	0.01	7.88	0.04	7.91	0.02
TSS (mg/L)	47.17	8.16	9.25	1.74	9.44	0.98
POC (mg/L)	0.35	0.04	0.12	0.01	0.12	0.02
DOC (mg/L)	1.40	0.31	1.66	0.50	2.80	2.71
Trial 4 Dongguan (ballast) – Qingdao (de-ballast) 2011.1.21 - 2011.1.28						
NTU	9.94	0.39	4.25	3.65	1.50	0.01
DO (mg/L)	6.29	0.04	6.44	0.36	6.32	0.10
pH	7.35	0.01	7.59	0.04	7.68	0.07
TSS (mg/L)	47.70	9.99	3.23	1.41	15.64	19.99
POC (mg/L)	0.33	0.06	0.20	0.05	0.29	0.18
DOC (mg/L)	3.91	0.47	2.50	0.11	2.83	0.16

4.3 Organisms $\geq 50 \mu\text{m}$

The organisms ($\geq 50 \mu\text{m}$) was referred to zooplankton for the trials on shipboard, the abundance of this size fraction was highest in Qingdao sea area, where the value was $4.60 \times 10^4 \text{ ind/m}^3$ on average, while in Zhoushan it was the lowest ($3.77 \times 10^3 \text{ ind/m}^3$), one order of magnitude lower than that in Qingdao, at last, the abundance in Dongguan was $6.71 \times 10^3 \text{ ind/m}^3$ and $1.62 \times 10^4 \text{ ind/m}^3$ in summer and winter, respectively. Compared with the water at ballasting in the reference tank, the abundance of organisms ($\geq 50 \mu\text{m}$) at de-ballasting was clearly decreased, which may be caused by the difference of water condition after 5 days travel, especially the change of temperature between Qingdao and Dongguan was 5.6°C and 11.3°C in summer and winter, respectively, which may result in the death of organisms. As is demonstrated in Table 4.3, the abundance of organisms was $1.39 \times 10^2 \text{ ind/m}^3$ on average at de-ballasting of the reference tank in the first trial, only 1/300 of that at ballasting. In the same way, during the second trial in winter, the abundance of organisms at de-ballasting was 1/30 of that at ballasting; the third trial showed that the temperature differed less than 1°C between Zhoushan and Qingdao and the abundance of organisms was only reduced by 24 % ($3.77 \times 10^3 \text{ ind/m}^3$ when ballast and $2.87 \times 10^3 \text{ ind/m}^3$ when de-ballast). At last, the abundance of organisms when ballast in Dongguan was 91% higher than that when de-ballast in Qingdao during the last trial of reference tank. The results of treated tanks of different trials showed that only one sample was positive for the viable organisms, which was presented on the second trial though only 1 viable organism was observed, the activity of this kind of zooplankton (*Cyclopoida*) was so little, it would be dead within several hours. No viable organisms were observed in the other 3 trials, which met the D-2 standard and the G8 requirement well.

Table 4.3 Abundance of viable organisms ($\geq 50 \mu\text{m}$) for water samples when ballast and de-ballast during the Shipboard Trials of the *BSKYTM BWMS*

Trial 1 Qingdao (ballast) – Dongguan (de-ballast) 2010.7.19 - 2010.7.24			
Parameter	Influent water (C0)	Effluent water(day 5)	
	Average (n=3)	Reference (C-5)	Treated (T)
		Average (n=3)	Average (n=9)
Total density (ind/m^3)	46,010	139	0
Range	21,068~58,922	85~204	
Trial 2 Dongguan (ballast) – Qingdao (de-ballast) 2010.7.24 - 2010.7.29.			
Total density (ind/m^3)	6,711	3,505	0
Range	1,693~16,101	3,040~3,975	
Trial 3 Zhoushan (ballast) – Qingdao (de-ballast) 2010.8.10 - 2010.8.15			
Total density (ind/m^3)	3,767	2,867.7	0
Range	3,434~3,933	1,543~3,600	
Trial 4 Dongguan (ballast) – Qingdao (de-ballast) 2011.1.21 - 2011.1.28			
Total density (ind/m^3)	16,173	560	0
Range	14,840~17,440	260~861	

4.4 Organisms ($10 \mu\text{m} \sim 50 \mu\text{m}$)

This size fraction was mainly composed of plankton and protozoa although the community structure was various in different sea areas (Table 4.4), for example, in Qingdao the dominant species were large

individuals: *Coscinodiscus asteromphalus*, *Ceratium lineatum* and *Chaetoceros curvisetus*, while in Zhoushan the species mainly included *Skeletonema costatum*, *Pseudonitzschia pungens*, *Rhizosolenia setigera*; besides, Jiufeng port of Dongguan was in estuary of the Pearl River where the plankton community were all fresh water species, the dominant species was *Melosira granulata*, *Actinastrum hantschii*, *Pediastrum duplex* and *Scenedesums* sp., what's more, when ballast in winter it was a rising tide which resulted in a presence of both fresh water species and sea species, but the fresh species was still in dominant, mainly include: *Microspora stagnorum*, *Coscinodiscus* spp., *Hormidium* spp. and *Paralia sulcata*.

The influent water in reference tank at ballasting contained a low density of plankton in Qingdao and Zhoushan sea area, mostly fluctuated above 102 cell/ml, while the abundance in Dongguan was clearly high (two orders of magnitude higher than that in Qingdao and Zhoushan), however, 5 days later, the abundance of all trials declined, about 60 % in the first trial, 70 % in the third trial and 66 % in the last trial, the greatest fluctuation was presented in the second trial in which the abundance was declined by more than 80%, besides, the number of kind was relatively decreased too. The viable plankton was only observed in the second trial, the density was 0.04 cell/ml on average (Table 4.5). In short, the density of viable organisms during 4 trials was only 0.01 cell/ml on average which met the D-2 standard, G8 requirement and American standard.

Table 4.4 Dominant species of plankton (10 μ m~50 μ m) in the Shipboard Trials of the BSKYTM BWMS

Species	community	Qingdao (summer)	Zhoushan (summer)	Dongguan (summer)	Dongguan (winter)
<i>Ceratium lineatum</i>	dinoflagella	++++			
<i>Chaetoceros curvisetus</i>	diatom	+++			
<i>Coscinodiscus asteromphalus</i>	diatom	+++			
<i>Skeletonema costatum</i>	diatom	++	++++		
<i>Pseudonitzschia pungens</i>	diatom		+++		
<i>Rhizosolenia setigera</i>	diatom		+++		
<i>Coscinodiscus jonesianus</i>	diatom		++		
<i>Melosira granulata</i>	diatom			++++	
<i>Actinastrum hantschii</i>	Chlorophyta			++++	
<i>Pediastrum duplex</i>	Chlorophyta			+++	
<i>Scenedesums dimorphus</i>	Chlorophyta			++	
<i>Cyclotella</i> sp.	diatom			++	
<i>Coscinodiscus</i> spp.	diatom				+++
<i>Microspora stagnorum</i>	Chlorophyta				+++
<i>Hormidium</i> spp.	Chlorophyta				++
<i>Paralia sulcata</i>	diatom				+

In order to take a further examination of the treatment effect, we also tested the photosynthetic activity (Fv/Fm) of phytoplankton directly with Phyto-PAM in the first and second trial, the results were shown on Table 4.6, which demonstrated that: in the first trial, the photosynthetic activity of phytoplankton for the influent water and effluent water of the reference tank was 0.57 and 0.19, respectively, while for the effluent

water of treated tank, the value was only 0.01, and five water samples were even negative for photosynthetic activity, which means that the plankton nearly lost their photosynthetic activity after treatment; in the second trials, photosynthetic efficiency was higher than that in the first trial, it also inclined slightly when de-ballasting 5 days later, averaged to 0.67, which shows a different trend with the density of plankton that did decline clearly when de-ballasting (Table 4.6), the average value of photosynthetic efficiency in treated tank was 0.02, a little higher than that in the first trial, it was still need a further study about whether it was caused by a high NTU or high TSS. All in all, the efficiency of treatment was up to 97%.

Table 4.5 Abundance of viable organisms (10 μm ~ 50 μm) for water samples when ballast

and de-ballast during the Shipboard Trials of the *BSKYTM BWMS*

Trial 1 Qingdao (ballast) – Dongguan (de-ballast) 2010.7.19 - 2010.7.24			
Parameter	Influent water (C0)	Effluent water(day 5)	
	Average (n=3)	Reference (C-5)	Treated (T)
Total density (ind/ml)	247.5	98.7	0
Range	119~333	63~161.2	
Trial 2 Dongguan (ballast) – Qingdao (de-ballast) 2010.7.24 - 2010.7.29.			
Total density (ind/ml)	5,301	928	0.009
Range	2,710~9,323	282~1,584	0~0.26
Trial 3 Zhoushan (ballast) – Qingdao (de-ballast) 2010.8.10 - 2010.8.15			
Total density (ind/ml)	403	118	0
Range	254~548	82~142	
Trial 4 Dongguan (ballast) – Qingdao (de-ballast) 2011.1.21 - 2011.1.28			
Total density (ind/ml)	4,494	1,386	0
Range	3,940~5,301	553~2,834	

Table 4.6 Photosynthetic efficiency (Fv/Fm) for water samples when ballast and de-ballast during the Shipboard Trials of the *BSKYTM BWMS*

Fv/Fm		Influent water (C0)	Effluent water (day 5)	
			Reference (C-5)	Treated (T)
Trial1	Average	0.57(n=9)	0.19(n=3)	0.01(n=9)
	SD	0.01	0.02	0.01
Trial2	Average	0.67 (n=3)	0.65 (n=3)	0.02(n=9)
	SD	0.01	0.01	0.01

4.5 Heterotrophic bacteria and Human pathogens

Table 4.7 shows the results of heterotrophic bacteria and human pathogens when ballast and de-ballast during the Shipboard Trials of the *BSKYTM BWMS*, the number of heterotrophic bacteria colonies of reference tank when ballasting in all trials was near 10^6 CFU/100ml, however, when the water was de-ballasted 5 days later, the number was declined to the same order: the separate number for each trial was 2.89 CFU/100ml, 12.00

CFU/100ml, 6.22 CFU/100ml and 0 CFU/100ml. There were none viable *Vibrio cholerae* observed after an incubation of sample bottles to the treated water from the 4 trials. The number of Intestinal *enterococci* and *Escherichia coli* colonies were all less than 1 CFU/100ml after treated.

Table 4.7 Average number of heterotrophic bacteria and human pathogens for water samples when ballast and de-ballast during the Shipboard Trials of the *BSKYTM BWMS*

Trial 1 Qingdao (ballast) – Dongguan (de-ballast) 2010.7.19 - 2010.7.24			
Parameter (CFU/100ml)	Influent water(C0)	Effluent water(day 5)	
	Average (n=3)	Reference (C5)	Treated (T)
		Average (n=3)	Average (n=9)
<i>Heterotrophic bacteria</i>	3.13×10^6	2.10×10^6	2.89
<i>Vibrio cholerae</i>	5.70×10^2	7.30×10^2	0
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	26.70×10^2	13.70×10^2	0.56
Intestinal enterococci	15.30×10^2	5.00×10^2	0.44
Trial 2 Dongguan (ballast) – Qingdao (de-ballast) 2010.7.24 - 2010.7.29,			
<i>Heterotrophic bacteria</i>	2.59×10^6	2.42×10^6	12.00
<i>Vibrio cholerae</i>	6.33×10^2	6.70×10^2	0
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	30.67×10^2	16.00×10^2	0.67
Intestinal enterococci	16.00×10^2	11.30×10^2	0.56
Trial 3 Zhoushan (ballast) – Qingdao (de-ballast) 2010.8.10 - 2010.8.15			
<i>Heterotrophic bacteria</i>	1.37×10^6	1.19×10^6	6.22
<i>Vibrio cholerae</i>	2.30×10^2	1.6×10^2	0
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	25.00×10^2	16.3×10^2	0.33
Intestinal enterococci	10.33×10^2	7.00×10^2	0.22
Trial 4 Dongguan (ballast) – Qingdao (de-ballast) 2011.1.21 - 2011.1.28			
<i>Heterotrophic bacteria</i>	1.33×10^5	1.99×10^5	0
<i>Vibrio cholerae</i>	7.70×10^2	9.27×10^2	0
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	3.90×10^3	4.46×10^3	0
Intestinal enterococci	10.70×10^2	8.70×10^2	0

5 Conclusion and evaluation of results

The Shipboard Trials of *BSKY* produced by Wuxi Brightsky Electronics Co., Ltd. was conducted on Hua Chang 8 Liquefied petroleum Gas Carrier for 4 trials though the summer and winter, which complied with the time requirements of G8. According to the testing results and the reference of G8 and D-2 standard (Table 5.1), the conclusion was made as follows:

- 1) The organism densities for different size fraction of the 4 Shipboard Trials were various from each other: for the large size fraction ($\geq 50 \mu\text{m}$), the density fluctuated between $1.69 \times 10^3 \text{ ind/m}^3$ and $5.89 \times 10^4 \text{ ind/m}^3$; while the value for small size fraction ($10 \mu\text{m} \sim 50 \mu\text{m}$) was from $1.19 \times 10^2 \text{ cell/ml}$ to $9.32 \times 10^3 \text{ cell/ml}$. All the densities were more than 10 times of the greatest number defined by D-2 standard, as a result, all of the 4 trials were valid.

- 2) Viable organisms ($\geq 50 \mu\text{m}$) were only observed in one sample of the second trial for the effluent water of treated tank during the 4 trials, but the living activity was very weak, it may be die within several hours, no survivals were observed for the other three trials. All the results met the D-2 standard and G8 well.
- 3) For the viable plankton ($10 \mu\text{m} \sim 50 \mu\text{m}$), two samples of the second trials were proved positive for that, the density was 0.04 cell/ml on average, none survivals were observed for the other three trials, the average density for the 4 trials was only 0.01 cell/ml, which met the D-2 standard and G8 requirement.
- 4) The number of heterotrophic bacteria for each trial was 2.89 CFU/100ml, 12.00 CFU/100ml, 6.22 CFU/100ml and 0 CFU/100ml on average, respectively. There were none viable *Vibrio cholerae* observed after an incubation of sample bottles to the treated water from the 4 trials. The number of Intestinal enterococci and *Escherichia coli* colonies were all less than 1 CFU/100ml after treated which met the D-2 standard and G8 requirements.

All in all, according to the results of the Shipboard Trials of the *BSKYTM BWMS*, although several samples of shipboard trial had a slightly higher density of viable organisms than that in the land-based test, the removal effect to different size fraction of organisms still met the D-2 standard, and the efficiency of treatment was over 99.9%.

Table 5.1 Comparison of Shipboard Trials results of BSKYTM BWMS with D-2 standard and Guideline 8

	Parameters	D-2 standard and Guideline 8		Testing results			Assessment
		Influent water	Treated water	Influent water	Effluent water of control	Effluent water of treated	
Trial 1	≥50 µm (ind/m ³)	>100	<10	4.60×10 ⁴	1.39×10 ²	no living organism	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
	10 µm ~50 µm (cell/ml)	>100	<10	2.47×10 ²	98.70	no living organism	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
	<10µm -Bacteria(CFU/100ml)	≥10 ⁴	No defined	3.13×10 ⁶	2.10×10 ⁶	2.89	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
	<i>Escherichia coli</i> (CFU/100ml)	>2500	<250	26.70×10 ²	13.70×10 ²	0.56	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
	Intestinal Enterococci(CFU/100ml)	>1000	<100	15.30×10 ²	5.00×10 ²	0.44	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
	<i>Vibrio cholerae</i> (CFU/100ml)	>10	<1	5.70×10 ²	7.30×10 ²	0	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
Trial 2	≥50 µm (ind/m ³)	>100	<10	6.71×10 ³	3.51×10 ²	no living organism	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
	10 µm ~50 µm (cell/ml)	>100	<10	5.30×10 ³	9.28×10 ²	0.009	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
	<10µm -Bacteria(CFU/ml)	≥10 ⁴	No defined	2.59×10 ⁶	2.42×10 ⁶	12.00	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
	<i>Escherichia coli</i> (CFU/100ml)	>2500	<250	30.67×10 ²	16.00×10 ²	0.67	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
	Intestinal Enterococci(CFU/100ml)	>1000	<100	16.00×10 ²	11.30×10 ²	0.56	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
	<i>Vibrio cholerae</i> (CFU/100ml)	>10	<1	6.33×10 ²	6.70×10 ²	0	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
Trial 3	≥50 µm (ind/m ³)	>100	<10	3.76×10 ²	2.87×10 ³	no living organism	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
	10 µm ~50 µm (cell/ml)	>100	<10	4.03×10 ²	1.19×10 ²	no living organism	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
	<10µm -Bacteria(CFU/100ml)	≥10 ⁴	No defined	1.37×10 ⁶	1.19×10 ⁶	6.22	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
	<i>Escherichia coli</i> (CFU/100ml)	>2500	<250	25.00×10 ²	16.3×10 ²	0.33	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
	Intestinal Enterococci(CFU/100ml)	>1000	<100	10.33×10 ²	7.00×10 ²	0.22	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
	<i>Vibrio cholerae</i> (CFU/100ml)	>10	<1	2.30×10 ²	1.60×10 ²	0	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
Trial 4	≥50 µm (ind/m ³)	>100	<10	1.61×10 ⁴	5.60×10 ²	no living organism	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
	10 µm ~50 µm (cell/ml)	>100	<10	4.50×10 ⁴	1.38×10 ³	no living organism	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
	<10µm Bacteria(CFU/100ml)	≥10 ⁴	No defined	1.33×10 ⁵	1.99×10 ⁵	0	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
	<i>Escherichia coli</i> (CFU/100ml)	>2500	<250	3.90 ×10 ³	4.46×10 ³	0	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
	Intestinal Enterococci(CFU/100ml)	>1000	<100	10.70×10 ²	8.70×10 ²	0	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8
	<i>Vibrio cholerae</i> (CFU/100ml)	>10	<1	7.70×10 ²	9.27×10 ²	0	meet the D-2 standard and Guideline 8

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Sampling date	Site of trials	Cycles of trials	Number	Temperature(°C)	Salinity	pH	NTU	TSS(mg/L)	DO (mg/L)	DOC(mg/L)	POC(mg/L)
2010.7.19	Qingdao	Influent ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 1	SST1-1B1/d	23.8	31.2	7.92	2.28	21.80	7.25	5.69	0.49
			SST1-1M1/d	23.7	31.6	7.88	2.63	29.80	7.10	1.43	0.61
			SST1-1E1/d	23.6	31.3	7.89	2.28	31.20	7.35	3.52	0.40
			SST2-1B1/d	29.2	31.3	7.92	3.07	9.50	6.54	1.58	0.21
2010.7.24	Dongguan	Effluent de-ballasting water of treated tank in cycle 1	SST2-1B2/d			7.97	3.33	11.88	6.48	1.43	0.31
			SST2-1B3/d			7.95	3.03	11.25	6.39	1.37	0.34
			SST2-1M1/d			7.93	3.16	7.20	6.15	1.86	0.30
			SST2-1M2/d			7.94	2.98	9.70	6.30	2.15	0.20
			SST2-1M3/d			7.93	3.38	12.13	6.49	1.68	0.18
			SST2-1E1/d			7.93	3.42	10.75	6.42	2.48	0.24
			SST2-1E2/d			7.95	2.89	11.63	6.59	2.12	0.13
2010.7.24	Dongguan	Effluent de-ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 1	SST2-1E3/d	29.3	30.7	7.95	3.25	10.50	6.10	2.31	0.16
			SST3-1B1/d			7.95	3.95	12.00	6.91	1.84	0.16
			SST3-1M1/d			8.00	5.04	13.50	6.64	2.13	0.14
			SST3-1E1/d			7.98	5.22	31.64	6.59	1.63	0.15

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2010.7.24	Dongguan	Influent ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 2	SST1-2B1/d	29.9	0.8	7.70	29.52	50.50	4.29	1.92	2.09
			SST1-2M1/d			7.69	25.31	35.50	3.98	1.72	2.20
			SST1-2E1/d			7.67	24.04	40.00	4.31	3.20	2.03
2010.7.29	Qingdao	Effluent de-ballasting water of treated tank in cycle 2	SST2-2B1/d	25.8	1.3	7.23	2.24	2.00	4.15	2.18	0.36
			SST2-2B2/d			7.11	2.02	2.67	4.29	2.01	0.31
			SST2-2B3/d			7.13	2.06	7.67	4.37	2.24	0.34
			SST2-2M1/d			7.10	1.80	4.33	4.12	2.34	0.35
			SST2-2M2/d			7.17	1.71	5.00	4.46	2.26	0.34
			SST2-2M3/d			7.16	1.62	6.67	4.28	2.43	0.31
2010.7.29	Qingdao	Effluent de-ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 2	SST2-2E1/d			7.18	1.84	8.33	4.46	2.34	0.36
			SST2-2E2/d			7.19	2.28	9.00	4.53	2.25	0.34
			SST2-2E3/d			7.20	2.46	8.67	4.43	2.31	0.37
			SST3-2B1/d			7.00	1.75	7.33	4.62	2.15	0.41
			SST3-2M1/d			7.02	1.62	11.67	5.68	1.61	0.38
			SST3-2E1/d			7.05	1.93	7.00	5.02	1.83	0.43

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2010.8.10	Zhoushan	Influent ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 3	SST1-3B1/d	25.8	27.8	7.92	13.64	51.50	6.31	1.29	0.36
			SST1-3M1/d	25.9	27.8	7.93	16.67	52.25	6.49	1.75	0.37
			SST1-3E1/d	25.8	27.8	7.93	11.93	37.75	6.28	1.15	0.30
			SST2-3B1/d	26.2	27.6	7.89	0.57	8.25	6.46	1.54	0.13
			SST2-3B2/d			7.87	0.31	8.88	6.29	1.40	0.11
2010.8.15	Qingdao	Effluent de-ballasting water of treated tank in cycle 3	SST2-3B3/d			7.88	0.31	10.13	6.25	9.63	0.10
			SST2-3M1/d			7.92	0.39	9.25	6.25	1.38	0.09
			SST2-3M2/d			7.91	0.39	8.00	6.40	1.51	0.11
			SST2-3M3/d			7.91	0.44	9.25	6.31	1.56	0.17
			SST2-3E1/d			7.92	0.57	10.75	6.49	4.00	0.12
2010.8.15	Qingdao	Effluent de-ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 3	SST2-3E2/d			7.92	0.57	9.88	6.46	1.35	0.11
			SST2-3E3/d			7.94	0.96	10.63	6.55	2.79	0.11
			SST3-3B1/d			7.83	0.57	7.25	6.48	2.23	0.13
			SST3-3M1/d			7.89	0.88	10.13	6.39	1.43	0.12
			SST3-3E1/d			7.91	1.40	10.38	6.34	1.32	0.13

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2011.1.21	Dongguan	Influent ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 4	SST1-4B1/d	6.4	15.4	7.36	10.22	52.70	6.31	4.05	0.35
			SST1-4M1/d	6.8	15.6	7.36	10.11	36.20	6.24	3.38	0.26
			SST1-4E1/d	6.9	15.2	7.34	9.49	54.20	6.33	4.29	0.37
2011.1.28	Qingdao	Effluent de-ballasting water of treated tank in cycle 4	SST2-4B1/d	5.7	4.3	7.71	1.37	1.77	6.46	2.59	0.15
			SST2-4B2/d	6.0	4.3	7.71	2.07	1.77	6.37	2.87	0.13
			SST2-4B3/d	6.1	4.4	7.58	1.46	3.63	6.49	3.03	0.18
			SST2-4M1/d	5.1	4.3	7.72	2.11	2.06	6.97	2.72	0.21
			SST2-4M2/d	5.7	4.1	7.61	1.86	1.63	6.80	2.82	0.20
			SST2-4M3/d	6.0	4.1	7.58	2.12	5.58	6.56	3.11	0.15
2011.1.28	Qingdao	Effluent de-ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 4	SST2-4E1/d	6.1	4.0	7.73	8.51	31.06	5.68	2.80	0.46
			SST2-4E2/d	6.0	4.0	7.72	9.29	42.87	6.23	2.73	0.55
			SST2-4E3/d	6.1	4.0	7.72	9.47	50.40	6.39	2.84	0.56
			SST3-4B1/d	8.0	4.2	7.61	1.51	1.77	6.33	2.58	0.23
			SST3-4B2/d	7.9	4.1	7.54	1.50	3.34	6.22	2.53	0.22
			SST3-4B3/d	7.9	4.0	7.61	1.48	4.57	6.42	2.37	0.14

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Results for organisms ($\geq 50 \mu\text{m}$) of shipboard trails of BSKYTM

Sampling date	Site of trials	Cycle	Number	Volume of filtering (m^3)	Sampling proportion	(Dominant Species)	Density of viable organisms cell·ml ⁻¹	Total Density cell·ml ⁻¹	Density of death cell·ml ⁻¹
2010.7.19	Qingdao	Influent ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 1	SST1-1B1/a	1	1/40	Cyclopoida	27440	58922	
						Acartia pacifica	9240		
						late Nauplius larvae	7520		
						Lamellibranchia larvae	5240		
						Paracalanus parvus	3760		
						Cirripedia nauplius	3160		
			SST1-1M1/a	1	1/40	Copepoda larva	1080	58040	
						Cyclopoida	35640		
						Acartia pacifica	8680		
						late Nauplius larvae	6480		
						Lamellibranchia larvae	2440		
						Copepoda larva	1880		
			SST1-1E1/a	1	1/40	Paracalanus parvus	1080	21068	
						Cirripedia nauplius	760		
						Cyclopoida	11540		
						Acartia pacifica	5160		
						late Nauplius larvae	1840		
						Paracalanus parvus	1340		
2010.7.24	Dongguan	Effluent de-ballasting water of treated tank in cycle 1	SST2-1B1/a	1	100%	Cirripedia nauplius	520	0	
			SST2-1B2/a	1	100%	no viable organisms observed	0		
			SST2-1B3/a	1	100%	no viable organisms observed	0		
			SST2-1M1/a	1	100%	no viable organisms observed	0		
			SST2-1M2/a	1	100%	no viable organisms observed	0		
			SST2-1M3/a	1	100%	no viable organisms observed	0		
			SST2-1E1/a	1	100%	no viable organisms observed	0		
			SST2-1E2/a	1	100%	no viable organisms observed	0		
			SST2-1E3/a	1	100%	no viable organisms observed	0		
			SST3-1B1/a	1	100%	Acartia pacifica	29	85	
						Corycaeus affinis	19		
						Ostracoda	11		
		Effluent de-ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 1	SST3-1M1/a	1	100%	Cyclopoida	8	204	
						Acartia pacifica	45		
						Lamellibranchia larvae	39		
						Cyclopoida	36		
						Ostracoda	29		
						Corycaeus affinis	27		
		Effluent de-ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 1	SST3-1E1/a	1	100%	Corycaeus affinis	41	128	
						Ostracoda	28		
						Lamellibranchia larvae	21		
						Acartia pacifica	19		
						Cyclopoida	14		

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Sampling date	Site of trials	Cycle	Number	Volume of filtering (m^3)	Sampling proportion	(Dominant Species)	Density of viable organisms cell·ml ⁻¹	Total Density cell·ml ⁻¹	Density of death cell·ml ⁻¹
2010.7.24	Dongguan	Influent ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 2	SST1-2B1/a	1	1/10	Cyclopoida	640	1693	
						<i>Sagitta crassa</i>	372		
						Ostracoda	330		
						late Nauplius larvae	180		
						<i>Calanus sinicus</i>	100		
			SST1-2M1/a	1	1/20	Cyclopoida	1140	2340	
						late Nauplius larvae	960		
						Ostracoda	160		
						<i>Polychaeta</i> larvae	80		
						late Nauplius larvae	9640		
2010.7.29	Qingdao	Effluent de-ballasting water of treated tank in cycle 2	SST1-2E1/a	1	1/20	Cyclopoida	5860	16101	
						Ostracoda	600		
						<i>Caprella</i> sp.	1		
						Cyclopoida	0		13
						Ostracoda	0		1
			SST2-2B1/a	1	100%	Cyclopoida	0	14	
						Ostracoda	0		
						Cyclopoida	0		25
						Cyclopoida	0		30
						Cyclopoida	0		45
2010.7.29	Qingdao	Effluent de-ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 2	SST2-2M1/a	1	100%	Cyclopoida	0	46	1
						<i>Corycaeus affinis</i>	0		
						Cyclopoida	0		70
						Cyclopoida	0		57
						Cyclopoida	0		77
			SST2-2E1/a	1	100%	<i>Polychaeta</i> larvae	0	78	1
						Cyclopoida	0		
						Cyclopoida	0		29
						Cyclopoida	0		108
						Cyclopoida	0		107
2010.7.29	Qingdao	Effluent de-ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 2	SST3-2B1/a	1	1/20	Cyclopoida	1440	3502	
						<i>Calanus sinicus</i>	860		
						late Nauplius larvae	480		
						<i>Sagitta crassa</i>	337		
						<i>Corycaeus affinis</i>	220		
			SST3-2M1/a	1	1/20	Cyclopoida	2080	3040	
						late Nauplius larvae	940		
						<i>Polychaeta</i> larvae	20		
						Cyclopoida	2520		
						late Nauplius larvae	800		
2010.7.29	Qingdao	Effluent de-ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 2	SST3-2E1/a	1	1/20	<i>Calanus sinicus</i>	480	3975	

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Sampling date	Site of trials	Cycle	Number	Volume of filtering (m^3)	Sampling proportion	(Dominant Species)	Density of viable organisms cell· m^{-1}	Total Density cell· m^{-1}	Density of death cell· m^{-1}
2010.8.10	Zhoushan	Influent ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 3	SST1-3B1/a	1	1/20	<i>Paracalanus parvus</i>	1420	3434	
						<i>Copepoda larva</i>	420		
						<i>Sagitta</i> spp.	389		
						late Nauplius larvae	320		
						<i>Harpacticoida</i> sp.	200		
			SST1-3M1/a	1	1/20	<i>Calypionis</i> larvae	200	3935	
						late Nauplius larvae	1340		
						<i>Paracalanus parvus</i>	880		
						<i>Harpacticoida</i> sp.	600		
						<i>Corvaceus affinis</i>	480		
			SST1-3E1/a	1	1/20	<i>Polvelaeta</i> larvae	240	3933	
						<i>Corvaceus affinis</i>	1180		
						<i>Calanus sinicus</i>	660		
						late Nauplius larvae	500		
						<i>Harpacticoida</i> sp.	360		
2010.8.15	Qingdao	Effluent de-ballasting water of treated tank in cycle 3	SST2-3B1/a	1	100%	<i>Calypionis</i> larvae	300	19	
						<i>Paracalanus parvus</i>	200		
						Ostracoda	0		1
						<i>Centropages dorsispinatus</i>	0		7
						<i>Corvaceus affinis</i>	0		5
			SST2-3B2/a	1	100%	Cyclopoida	0	46	4
						<i>Harpacticoida</i> sp.	0		1
						<i>Cirripedia nauplius</i>	0		1
						<i>Harpacticoida</i> sp.	0		12
						Copepoda larva	0		12
			SST2-3B3/a	1	100%	Cyclopoida	0	27	12
						<i>Corvaceus affinis</i>	0		6
						<i>Centropages dorsispinatus</i>	0		4
						Ostracoda	0		1
						<i>Harpacticoida</i> sp.	0		1
2010.8.15	Qingdao	Effluent de-ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 3	SST2-3M1/a	1	100%	Cyclopoida	0	27	19
						<i>Corvaceus affinis</i>	0		5
						late Nauplius larvae	0		2
						no viable organisms observed	0		0
						no viable organisms observed	0		0
			SST2-3M2/a	1	100%	no viable organisms observed	0	1543	0
						no viable organisms observed	0		0
						no viable organisms observed	0		0
						no viable organisms observed	0		0
						no viable organisms observed	0		0
			SST2-3E1/a	1	100%	late Nauplius larvae	670	3600	1
						Copepoda larva	330		12
						<i>Harpacticoida</i> sp.	250		12
						<i>Corvaceus affinis</i>	190		6
						late Nauplius larvae	1740		4
			SST2-3E2/a	1	100%	<i>Harpacticoida</i> sp.	800	3460	1
						<i>Corvaceus affinis</i>	560		7
						Copepoda larva	380		5
						late Nauplius larvae	1800		2
						Copepoda larva	640		1
2010.8.15	Qingdao	Effluent de-ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 3	SST3-3E1/a	1	1/20	<i>Harpacticoida</i> sp.	540	3460	1
						<i>Corvaceus affinis</i>	300		7
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Sampling date	Site of trials	Cycle	Number	Volume of filtering (m^3)	Sampling proportion	(Dominant Species)	Density of viable organisms cell·ml ⁻¹	Total Density cell·ml ⁻¹	Density of death cell·ml ⁻¹
2011.1.21	Dongguan	Influent ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 4	SST1-4B1/a	1	1/40	<i>Schmackeria</i> sp.	15080	16240	
						Cyclopoida	520		
						late Nauplius larvae	600		
						<i>Sinocalanus</i> sp.	40		
			SST1-4M1/a	1	1/40	<i>Schmackeria</i> sp.	15840	17440	
						Cyclopoida	640		
						late Nauplius larvae	840		
						<i>Sinocalanus</i> sp.	80		
						<i>Acartia</i> sp.	40		
						<i>Schmackeria</i> sp.	13920		
2011.1.28	Qingdao	Effluent de-ballasting water of treated tank in cycle 4	SST1-4E1/a	1	1/40	Cyclopoida	440	14840	
						late Nauplius larvae	480		
						<i>Schmackeria</i> sp.	0		1
			SST2-4B1/a	1	100%	<i>Schmackeria</i> sp.	0	489	47
						Cyclopoida	0		423
						late Nauplius larvae	0		17
			SST2-4B2/a	1	100%	<i>Acanthomysis</i> sp.	0	2	2
						no viable organisms observed	0		
						no viable organisms observed	0		
			SST2-4M1/a	1	100%	no viable organisms observed	0	0	
						no viable organisms observed	0		
						no viable organisms observed	0		
			SST2-4M2/a	1	100%	no viable organisms observed	0	0	
						no viable organisms observed	0		
						no viable organisms observed	0		
			SST2-4M3/a	1	100%	no viable organisms observed	0	0	
						no viable organisms observed	0		
						no viable organisms observed	0		
2011.1.28	Qingdao	Effluent de-ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 4	SST2-4E1/a	1	100%	no viable organisms observed	0	0	
						no viable organisms observed	0		
						no viable organisms observed	0		
			SST2-4E2/a	1	100%	no viable organisms observed	0	0	
						no viable organisms observed	0		
						no viable organisms observed	0		
			SST2-4E3/a	1	100%	no viable organisms observed	0	0	
						no viable organisms observed	0		
						no viable organisms observed	0		
			SST3-4B1/a	1	1/20	<i>Schmackeria</i> sp.	180	260	
						Cyclopoida	40		
						late Nauplius larvae	40		
		Effluent de-ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 4	SST2-4M1/a	1	1/20	<i>Schmackeria</i> sp.	280	560	
						Cyclopoida	140		
						late Nauplius larvae	120		
			SST3-4E1/a	1	1/20	<i>Schmackeria</i> sp.	200	861	
						Cyclopoida	280		
						late Nauplius larvae	360		

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Results for organisms (10 µm-50 µm) of the shipboard trails of BSKY™

Sampling date	Site of trials	Cycle	Number	Volume of samples (L)	Volume of contraction (ml)	(Dominant Species)	(Density) cell·ml ⁻¹	(Total Density) cell·ml ⁻¹
2010.7.19	Qingdao	Influent ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 1	SST1-1B1/b	1	15	Dinophyta	112.5	193.5
						<i>Dinophysis acuminata</i>	13.5	
						<i>Ceratium tripos</i>	4.5	
						<i>Coscinodiscus</i> sp.	9	
						<i>Coscinodiscus waileii</i>	9	
						<i>Chaetoceros curvisetus</i>	31.5	
						<i>Actinopterychus</i> sp.	4.5	
						<i>Dictocha fibula</i>	9	
						<i>Ceratium lineatum</i>	130.5	
						<i>Ceratium fusus</i>	18	
			SST1-1E1/b	1	15	Dinophyta	9	216
						<i>Dinophysis acuminata</i>	4.5	
						<i>Dinophysis fortii</i>	4.5	
						<i>Gyrodinium spirace</i>	4.5	
						<i>Actinopterychus</i> sp.	4.5	
						Bacillariophyta	31.5	
						<i>Chaetoceros curvisetus</i>	31.5	
						<i>Dictocha fibula</i>	13.5	
						<i>Ceratium lineatum</i>	139.5	
						<i>Dinophysis acuminata</i>	18	
			SST1-1M1/b	1	15	Dinophyta	13.5	333
						<i>Ceratium fusus</i>	13.5	
						<i>Alexandrium</i> sp.	4.5	
						<i>Ceratium horridum</i>	4.5	
						<i>Noctiluca scintillans</i>	4.5	
						<i>Coscinodiscus oculus-iridio</i>	31.5	
<i>Actinopterychus</i> sp.	31.5							
<i>Skeletonema costatum</i>	27							
<i>Nitzschia closterium</i>	18							
<i>Coscinodiscus</i> sp.	13.5							
<i>Coscinodiscus asteromphalus</i>	4.5							
Bacillariophyta			<i>Ditycum brighuellii</i>	4.5				
			<i>Streptotheca thamesis</i>	4.5				
			<i>Coscinodiscus waileii</i>	4.5				
			<i>Dictocha fibula</i>	9				

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Sampling date	Site of trials	Cycle	Number	Volume of samples (L)	Volume of contraction (ml)	(Dominant Species)	(Density) cell·ml ⁻¹	(Total Density) cell·ml ⁻¹
2010.7.24	Dongguan	Effluent de-ballasting water of treated tank in cycle 1	SST2-1B1/b	1	10	no viable organisms observed	0	0
			SST2-1B2/b	1	10	no viable organisms observed	0	0
			SST2-1B3/b	1	10	no viable organisms observed	0	0
			SST2-1M1/b	1	10	no viable organisms observed	0	0
			SST2-1M2/b	1	10	no viable organisms observed	0	0
			SST2-1M3/b	1	10	no viable organisms observed	0	0
			SST2-1E1/b	1	10	no viable organisms observed	0	0
			SST2-1E2/b	1	10	no viable organisms observed	0	0
2010.7.24	Dongguan	Effluent de-ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 1	SST2-1E3/b	1	10	no viable organisms observed	0	0
			SST3-1E1/b	1	10	<i>Leptocylindrus mediterraneus</i>	92	161.2
						<i>Skeletonema costatum</i>	12	
						<i>Coscinodiscus</i> sp.	7.2	
						<i>Leptocylindrus danicus</i>	6	
			Dinophyta			<i>Ceratium lineatum</i>	42	
						<i>Ceratium fusus</i>	2	
			Dinophyta			<i>Ceratium lineatum</i>	31.5	63
			Bacillariophyta	1	15	<i>Coscinodiscus</i> sp.	18	
						<i>Coscinodiscus gigas</i>	4.5	
			Chrysophyta			<i>Dictocha fibula</i>	9	
			Bacillariophyta			<i>Leptocylindrus mediterraneus</i>	26	72
						<i>Rhizosolenia delicatula</i>	6	
						<i>Coscinodiscus</i> sp.	2	
						<i>Ceratium lineatum</i>	26	
			Dinophyta	1	10	<i>Dinophysis acuminata</i>	4	
						<i>Akashiwo sanguinea</i>	2	
						<i>Prorocentrum steinii</i>	2	
						<i>Ceratium tripos</i>	2	
						<i>Ceratium fusus</i>	2	

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Sampling date	Site of trials	Cycle	Number	Volume of samples (L)	Volume of concentration (ml)	(Dominant Species)		(Density) cell·ml ⁻¹	(Total Density) cell·ml ⁻¹
2010.7.24	Dongguan	Influent ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 2	SST1-2B1/b	1	10	Bacillariophyta	<i>Melosira granulata</i>	1700	2713.3
							<i>Cyclotella</i> sp.	299.2	
							<i>Synedra</i> sp.	4.8	
							<i>Actinastrum hantzschii</i>	320.0	
							<i>Pediastrum duplex</i>	96.4	
							<i>Cosmarium</i> sp.	30.0	
							<i>Scenedesmus quadricauda</i>	8.0	
							<i>Scenedesmus denticulatus</i>	1.9	
							<i>Tetrastrum hastiferum</i>	1.6	
							<i>Staurastrum zahlbruckneri</i>	0.4	
							<i>Tetrastrum heterocanthum</i>	0.4	
			SST1-2M1/b	1	20	Euglenophyta	<i>Euglena</i> spp.	5.2	9323.2
							<i>Trachelomonas</i> sp.	1.0	
						Dinophyta	<i>Gymnodinium</i> sp.	2.8	
						others	Others	241.6	
							<i>Melosira granulata</i>	2548.80	
			SST1-2E1/b	1	20	Bacillariophyta	<i>Cyclotella</i> sp.	227.20	3865.76
							<i>Synedra</i> sp.	40.00	
							<i>Skeletonema costatum</i>	14.40	
							<i>Actinastrum hantzschii</i>	5328.00	
							<i>Pediastrum duplex</i>	635.20	
							<i>Scenedesmus dimorphus</i>	307.20	
						Euglenophyta	<i>Euglena</i> spp.	1.60	
						others	Others	220.80	
							<i>Melosira granulata</i>	2627.20	
							<i>Cyclotella</i> sp.	140.80	
							<i>Synedra</i> sp.	30.40	
			SST1-2E1/b	1	20		<i>Cocconeis</i> sp.	0.08	3865.76
							<i>Pediastrum duplex</i>	332.80	
							<i>Actinastrum hantzschii</i>	190.40	
							<i>Scenedesmus dimorphus</i>	187.20	
							<i>Scenedesmus quadricauda</i>	161.60	
							<i>Ankistrodesmus acicularis</i>	27.20	
							<i>Scenedesmus</i> sp.	0.08	
						Cyanophyta	<i>Spirulina platensis</i>	147.20	
						Euglenophyta	<i>Euglena</i> spp.	20.80	

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Sampling date	Site of trials	Cycle	Number	Volume of samples (L)	Volume of contraction (ml)	(Dominant Species)	(Density) cell·ml ⁻¹	(Total Density) cell·ml ⁻¹
2010.7.29	Qingdao	Effluent de-ballasting water of treated tank in cycle 2	SST2-2B1/b	1	55	no viable organisms observed		
			SST2-2B2/b	1	55	no viable organisms observed		
			SST2-2B3/b	1	51	no viable organisms observed		
			SST2-2M1/b	1	63	Bacillariophyta <i>Melosira granulata</i>	0.07	0.33
			SST2-2M2/b	1	69	no viable organisms observed		
			SST2-2M3/b	1	57	no viable organisms observed		
			SST2-2E1/b	1	59	no viable organisms observed		
			SST2-2E2/b	1	47	Bacillariophyta <i>Melosira granulata</i>	0.26	
			SST2-2E3/b	1	91	no viable organisms observed		
2010.7.29	Qingdao	Effluent de-ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 2	SST3-2B1/b	1	63	<i>Melosira granulata</i>	405.62	919.91
						<i>Cyclotella</i> sp.	116.24	
						<i>Nitzschia</i> sp.	4.31	
						<i>Coscinodiscus</i> sp.	1.47	
						<i>Pediastrum boryanum</i>	55.34	
						<i>Scenedesmus</i> sp.	32.76	
						<i>Actinastrum hantzschii</i>	29.30	
						<i>Trichodesmium</i> sp.	168.00	
						<i>Spirulina</i> sp.	3.89	
			SST3-2M1/b	1	80	Others	103.01	1583.73
						<i>Melosira granulata</i>	514.26	
						<i>Cyclotella</i> sp.	225.47	
						<i>Nitzschia</i> sp.	12.27	
						<i>Coscinodiscus</i> sp.	0.53	
						<i>Pediastrum boryanum</i>	62.40	
						<i>Scenedesmus</i> sp.	81.87	
						<i>Actinastrum hantzschii</i>	84.27	
						<i>Trichodesmium</i> sp.	486.67	
			SST3-2E1/b	1	15	<i>Spirulina</i> sp.	6.67	281.53
						Others	109.33	
						<i>Melosira granulata</i>	107.38	
						<i>Cyclotella</i> sp.	40.23	
						<i>Nitzschia</i> sp.	3.33	
						<i>Coscinodiscus</i> sp.	1.83	
						<i>Trichodesmium</i> sp.	95.00	
						<i>Spirulina</i> sp.	0.93	
						<i>Scenedesmus</i> sp.	10.88	
			SST3-2E1/b	1	15	<i>Actinastrum hantzschii</i>	8.93	281.53
						<i>Pediastrum boryanum</i>	4.58	
						Others	8.48	

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Sampling date	Site of trials	Cycle	Number	Volume of samples (L)	Volume of contraction (ml)	(Dominant Species)	(Density) cell·ml ⁻¹	(Total Density) cell·ml ⁻¹
2010.8.10	Zhoushan	Influent ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 3	SST1-3B1/b	1	10	Bacillariophyta	90	409.3
						<i>Skeletonema costatum</i>	66	
						<i>Pseudonitzschia pungens</i>	50	
						<i>Rhizosolenia setigera</i>	44	
						<i>Melosira sulcata</i>	34	
						<i>Coscinodiscus radiatus</i>	28	
						<i>Chaetoceros</i> sp.	16	
						<i>Chaetoceros compressus</i>	16	
						<i>Chaetoceros curviseus</i>	15.3	
						<i>Cyclotella</i> sp.	8	
						<i>Chaetoceros lorenzianus</i>	4	
						<i>Nitzschia closterium</i>	4	
						<i>Coscinodiscus jonesianus</i>	2	
						<i>Rhizosolenia alata f. gracillima</i>	2	
						<i>Coscinodiscus asteromphalus</i>	6	
						<i>Ditylum brightwellii</i>	4	
						<i>Ceratium fusus</i>	4	
						<i>Ceratium furca</i>	128	
						<i>Ceratium tripos</i>	122	
						<i>Skeletonema costatum</i>	58	
						<i>Chaetoceros lorenzianus</i>	36	
						<i>Coscinodiscus jonesianus</i>	22	
						<i>Chaetoceros setigera</i>	22	
						<i>Rhizosolenia setigera</i>	20	
						<i>Chaetoceros compressus</i>	16	
						<i>Pseudonitzschia pungens</i>	12	
						<i>Coscinodiscus radiatus</i>	8	
						<i>Melosira sulcata</i>	8	
						<i>Actinoprychus</i> sp.	6	
						<i>Rhizosolenia alata f. gracillima</i>	4	
						<i>Ditylum brightwellii</i>	4	
						<i>Gyrodinium</i> sp.	4	
						<i>Podocystis</i> sp.	4	
						<i>Thalassiothrix frauenfeldii</i>	4	
						<i>Chaetoceros</i> sp.	4	
						<i>Coscinodiscus asteromphalus</i>	4	
						<i>Chaetoceros castracanei</i>	2	
						<i>Coscinodiscus excentricus</i>	2	
						<i>Pleurosigma pelagicum</i>	2	
						<i>Pleurosigma</i> sp.	2	
						<i>Nitzschia closterium</i>	2	
						<i>Ceratium tripos</i>	22	
						<i>Ceratium furca</i>	18	
						<i>Ceratium fusus</i>	12	
						<i>Protoperidinium</i> sp.	6	
						<i>Protoperidinium pallidum</i>	2	
						Dinophyta	548	

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Results for organisms (10 μm -50 μm) of the shipboard trails of BSKY™

Sampling date	Site of trials	Cycle	Number	Volume of samples (L)	Volume of contration (ml)	(Dominant Species)	(Density) cell·ml ⁻¹	(Total Density) cell·ml ⁻¹
2010.8.10	Zhoushan	Influent ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 3	SST1-3E1/b	1	10	Bacillariophyta	<i>Skeletonema costatum</i>	62
							<i>Chaetoceros lorenzianus</i>	58
							<i>Pseudonitzschia pungens</i>	46
							<i>Rhizosolenia setigera</i>	30
							<i>Actinopychus</i> sp.	8
							<i>Leptocylindrus danicus</i>	6
							<i>Chaetoceros compressus</i>	4
							<i>Rhizosolenia alata</i> f. <i>gracillima</i>	4
							<i>Corethron hystrix</i>	2
							<i>Coscinodiscus radiatus</i>	2
							<i>Thalassiothrix frauenfeldii</i>	2
							<i>Ceratium furca</i>	12
2010.8.15	Qingdao	Effluent de-ballasting water of treated tank in cycle 3	SST2-3E1/b	1	10	Dinophyta	<i>Ceratium fusus</i>	10
							<i>Alexandrium</i> sp.	4
							Dinoflagellates	2
							<i>Protoperidinium pentagonum</i>	2
							no viable organisms observed	0
							no viable organisms observed	0
							no viable organisms observed	0
							no viable organisms observed	0
							no viable organisms observed	0
							no viable organisms observed	0
							no viable organisms observed	0
							no viable organisms observed	0

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Sampling date	Site of trials	Cycle	Number	Volume of samples (L)	Volume of contraction(ml)	(Dominant Species)	(Density) cell·ml ⁻¹	(Total Density) cell·ml ⁻¹			
2010.8.15	Qingdao	Effluent de-ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 3	SST3-3B1/b	1	10	Bacillariophyta	<i>Skeletonema costatum</i>	40	82		
							<i>Chaetoceros curvisetus</i>	6			
							<i>Chaetoceros lorenzianus</i>	6			
							<i>Chaetoceros affinis</i>	4			
							<i>Pseudonitzschia pungens</i>	4			
							<i>Eucampia zodiacus</i>	2			
							<i>Ditylum brightwellii</i>	2			
							<i>Nitzschia closterium</i>	2			
							<i>Ceratium fusus</i>	8			
							<i>Ceratium tripos</i>	4			
			SST3-3M1/b	1	10	Dinophyta	<i>Protoperidinium</i> sp.	4		132	
							<i>Skeletonema costatum</i>	66			
							<i>Pseudonitzschia pungens</i>	12			
							<i>Chaetoceros lorenzianus</i>	10			
							<i>Chaetoceros</i> sp.	6			
							<i>Rhizosolenia setigera</i>	6			
							<i>Rhizosolenia styliformis</i>	2			
							<i>Rhiz. alata f. gracillima</i>	2			
							<i>Gyrosigma</i> sp.	2			
							<i>Ditylum brightwellii</i>	2			
			SST3-3E1/b	1	10	Dinophyta	<i>Protoperidinium</i> sp.	10		142	
							<i>Ceratium fusus</i>	8			
							<i>Ceratium tripos</i>	4			
							<i>Ceratium furca</i>	2			
							<i>Chaetoceros lorenzianus</i>	62			
							<i>Chaetoceros curvisetus</i>	12			
							<i>Skeletonema costatum</i>	12			
							<i>Pseudonitzschia pungens</i>	12			
							<i>Rhizosolenia setigera</i>	10			
							<i>Thalassionema nitzschioides</i>	6			
SST3-3E1/b	1	10	Bacillariophyta	<i>Chaetoceros compressus</i>	6	142					
				<i>Coscinodiscus gigas</i>	2						
				<i>Eucampia zodiacus</i>	2						
				<i>Ceratium fusus</i>	6						
				<i>Ceratium furca</i>	6						
				<i>Alexandrium</i> sp.	2						
				<i>Protoperidinium</i> sp.	2						
				<i>Ceratium tripos</i>	2						
				SST3-3E1/b	1		10	Dinophyta			142

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Appendix 3 Results for organisms (10 µm-50 µm) of the shipboard trails of BSKY™

Sampling date	Site of trials	Cycle	Number	Volume of samples (L)	Volume of contraction (ml)	(Dominant Species)	(Density) cell·ml ⁻¹	(Total Density) cell·ml ⁻¹
2011.1.21	Dongguan	Influent ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 4	SST1-4B1/b	1	20	Bacillariophyta	<i>Coscinodiscus</i> spp.	1890
							<i>Paralia sulcata</i>	645
							<i>Thalassiosira</i> spp.	415
							<i>Microspora stagnorum</i>	968
							<i>Hormidium</i> spp.	738
						Chlorophyta	<i>Scenedesmus quadricauda</i>	184
							<i>Scenedesmus carinatus</i>	184
							<i>Scenedesmus dimorphus</i>	184
							<i>Pediastrum</i> spp.	92
			SST1-4M1/b	1	20		<i>Paralia sulcata</i>	760
							<i>Thalassiosira</i> spp.	467
						Bacillariophyta	<i>Coscinodiscus</i> spp.	415
							<i>Leptocylindrus</i> spp.	242
							<i>Nitzschia</i> spp.	17
							<i>Hormidium</i> spp.	934
							<i>Pediastrum biradiatum</i>	397
							<i>Pediastrum duplex</i>	276
						Chlorophyta	<i>Palmella mucosa</i>	138
			SST1-4E1/b	1	20		<i>Scenedesmus dimorphus</i>	138
							<i>Scenedesmus quadricauda</i>	69
							<i>Scenedesmus carinatus</i>	69
							<i>Pediastrum</i> spp.	17
							<i>Thalassiosira</i> spp.	1088
							<i>Coscinodiscus</i> spp.	843
						Bacillariophyta	<i>Paralia sulcata</i>	466
							<i>Leptocylindrus</i> spp.	111
							<i>Nitzschia</i> spp.	44
			SST1-4E1/b	1	20		<i>Microspora stagnorum</i>	1065
							<i>Scenedesmus armatus</i>	200
						Chlorophyta	<i>Scenedesmus dimorphus</i>	178
							<i>Scenedesmus javaensis</i>	155
							<i>Scenedesmus carinatus</i>	89

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Sampling date	Site of trials	Cycle	Number	Volume of samples (L)	Volume of contration (ml)	(Dominant Species)	(Density) cell·ml ⁻¹	(Total Density) cell·ml ⁻¹
2011.1.28	Qingdao	Effluent de-ballasting water of treated tank in cycle 4	SST2-4B1/b	1	10	no viable organisms observed	0	0
			SST2-4B2/b	1	10	no viable organisms observed	0	0
			SST2-4B3/b	1	10	no viable organisms observed	0	0
			SST2-4M1/b	1	10	no viable organisms observed	0	0
			SST2-4M2/b	1	10	no viable organisms observed	0	0
			SST2-4M3/b	1	10	no viable organisms observed	0	0
			SST2-4E1/b	1	10	no viable organisms observed	0	0
			SST2-4E2/b	1	10	no viable organisms observed	0	0
2011.1.28	Qingdao	Effluent de-ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 4	SST2-4E3/b	1	10	no viable organisms observed	0	0
			SST3-24B1/b	1	15	protozoa	Protozoa	2834
						Bacillariophyta	<i>Paralia sulcata</i>	
							<i>Thalassiosira</i> spp.	
							<i>Coscinodiscus</i> spp.	
			SST3-4M1/b	1	15	protozoa	Protozoa	553
						Bacillariophyta	<i>Paralia sulcata</i>	
							<i>Thalassiosira</i> spp.	
							<i>Coscinodiscus</i> spp.	
2011.1.28	Qingdao	Effluent de-ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 4	SST3-4E1/b	1	15	protozoa	Protozoa	772
						Bacillariophyta	<i>Thalassiosira</i> spp.	
							<i>Nitzschia</i> spp.	

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Results for microbes of shipboard trails of BSKY™

Sampling date	Site of trials	Cycles of trials	Number	H.bacteria (CFU/100mL)	V.cholerae (CFU/100ml)	E.coli (CFU/100ml)	I.enterococci (CFU/100ml)
2010.7.19	Qindao	Influent ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 1	SST1-1B1/C	3.50×10^6	5×10^2	20×10^2	34×10^2
			SST1-1M1/C	2.78×10^6	10×10^2	52×10^2	5×10^2
			SST1-1E1/C	3.12×10^6	2×10^2	8×10^2	7×10^2
2010.7.24	Dongguan	Effluent de-ballasting water of treated tank in cycle 1	SST2-1B1/C	0	0	1	3
			SST2-1B2/C	8	0	0	0
			SST2-1B3/C	0	0	1	0
			SST2-1M1/C	0	0	0	0
			SST2-1M2/C	0	0	0	0
			SST2-1M3/C	15	0	3	1
			SST2-1E1/C	0	0	0	0
2010.7.24	Dongguan	Effluent de-ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 1	SST2-1E2/C	3	0	0	0
			SST2-1E3/C	0	0	0	0
			SST3-1B1/C	1.1×10^6	4×10^2	5×10^2	4×10^2
			SST3-1M1/C	2.3×10^6	14×10^2	28×10^2	8×10^2
			SST3-1E1/C	2.9×10^6	4×10^2	8×10^2	3×10^2

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Sampling date	Site of trials	Cycles of trials	Number	H.bacteria (CFU/100mL)	V.cholerae (CFU/100ml)	E.coli (CFU/100ml)	Enterococci (CFU/100ml)
2010.7.24	Dongguan	Influent ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 2	SST1-2B1/C	8.7×10^5	7×10^2	24×10^2	28×10^2
			SST1-2M1/C	2.59×10^6	4×10^2	56×10^2	9×10^2
			SST1-2E1/C	4.3×10^6	8×10^2	12×10^2	11×10^2
2010.7.29	Qindao	Effluent de-ballasting water of treated tank in cycle 2	SST2-2B1/C	1	0	0	1
			SST2-2B2/C	0	0	0	2
			SST2-2B3/C	44	0	3	0
			SST2-2M1/C	31	0	0	0
			SST2-2M2/C	0	0	0	0
			SST2-2M3/C	15	0	2	1
			SST2-2E1/C	12	0	1	0
2010.7.29	Qindao	Effluent de-ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 2	SST2-2E2/C	5	0	0	1
			SST2-2E3/C	0	0	0	0
			SST3-2B1/C	0.26×10^6	4×10^2	17×10^2	13×10^2
			SST3-2M1/C	2.4×10^6	5×10^2	22×10^2	7×10^2
			SST3-2E1/C	4.6×10^6	11×10^2	9×10^2	14×10^2

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Sampling date	Site of trials	Cycles of trials	Number	H.bacteria (CFU/100mL)	V.cholerae (CFU/100ml)	E.coli (CFU/100ml)	Enterococci (CFU/100ml)
2010.8.10	Zhoushan	Influent ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 3	SST1-3B1/C	7.2×10 ⁵	1×10 ²	24×10 ²	21×10 ²
			SST1-3M1/C	2.1×10 ⁶	4×10 ²	17×10 ²	7×10 ²
			SST1-3E1/C	1.3×10 ⁶	2×10 ²	22×10 ²	3×10 ²
2010.8.15	Qindao	Effluent de-ballasting water of treated tank in cycle 3	SST2-3B1/C	4	0	1	2
			SST2-3B2/C	3	0	0	0
			SST2-3B3/C	0	0	1	0
			SST2-3M1/C	12	0	0	0
			SST2-3M2/C	0	0	0	0
			SST2-3M3/C	0	0	1	0
			SST2-3E1/C	32	0	0	0
			SST2-3E2/C	5	0	0	0
			SST2-3E3/C	0	0	0	0
2010.8.15	Qindao	Effluent de-ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 3	SST3-3B1/C	3.5×10 ⁵	2×10 ²	19×10 ²	9×10 ²
			SST3-3M1/C	8.1×10 ⁵	2×10 ²	6×10 ²	8×10 ²
			SST3-3E1/C	2.4×10 ⁶	90.00	14×10 ²	4×10 ²

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Sampling date	Site of trials	Cycles of trials	Number	H.bacteria (CFU/100mL)	V.cholerae (CFU/100ml)	E.coli (CFU/100ml)	Lenterococci (CFU/100ml)
2010.1.21	Dongguan	Influent ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 4	SST1-4B1/C	1.3×10 ⁵	6.9×10 ²	3.7×10 ³	10×10 ²
			SST1-4M1/C	1.6×10 ⁵	8.6×10 ²	4.7×10 ³	9×10 ²
			SST1-4E1/C	1.1×10 ⁵	7.6×10 ²	3.3×10 ³	13×10 ²
2010.1.28	Qindao	Effluent de-ballasting water of treated tank in cycle 4	SST2-4B1/C	0	0	0	0
			SST2-4B2/C	0	0	0	0
			SST2-4B3/C	0	0	0	0
			SST2-4M1/C	0	0	0	0
			SST2-4M2/C	0	0	0	0
			SST2-4M3/C	0	0	0	0
			SST2-4E1/C	0	0	0	0
			SST2-4E2/C	0	0	0	0
			SST2-4E3/C	0	0	0	0
2010.1.28	Qindao	Effluent de-ballasting water of reference tank in cycle 4	SST3-4B1/C	2.1×10 ⁵	1.7×10 ³	3.2×10 ⁴	8×10 ²
			SST3-4M1/C	1.9×10 ⁵	1.7×10 ³	2.7×10 ⁴	7×10 ²
			SST3-4E1/C	2.0×10 ⁵	1.7×10 ³	2.9×10 ⁴	11×10 ²

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Appendix 5

Detect the photosynthesis efficiency of plankton in water samples of shipboard trials with a PAM analyzer (Fv/Fm)

Cycle 1 of the shipboard trials Qingdao-Dongguan(7.19-7.24)						
Ballast in Qingdao (7.19)					Average	SD
Influent water	SST3-1B1	0.58	0.57	0.56	0.57	0.009
	SST3-1M2	0.56	0.57	0.56		
	SST3-1E3	0.58	0.57	0.58		
De-ballast in Dongguan (7.24)						
Treated tank	SST2-1B1	0.00			0.01	0.005
	SST2-1B2	0.00				
	SST2-1B3	0.01				
	SST2-1M1	0.00				
	SST2-1M2	0.01				
	SST2-1M3	0.00				
	SST2-1E1	0.00				
	SST2-1E2	0.01				
	SST2-1E3	0.02				
Reference tank	SST3-1B1	0.21			0.19	0.02
	SST3-1M2	0.17				
	SST3-1E3	0.19				
Cycle 2 of the shipboard trials Dongguan-Qingdao (7.24-7.29)						
Ballast in Dongguan(7.24)						
Influent water	SST1-2B1	0.68			0.67	0.012
	SST1-2M2	0.66				
	SST1-2E3	0.68				
De-ballast in Qingdao (7.29)						
Treated tank	SST2-2B1	0.01			0.016	0.011
	SST2-2b2	0				
	SST2-2b3	0.01				
	SST2-2M1	0.02				
	SST2-2M2	0.03				
	SST2-2M3	0.01				
	SST2-2E1	0.02				
	SST2-2E2	0.03				
	SST2-2E3	0.02				
Reference tank	SST3-2B1	0.65			0.65	0.006
	SST3-2M2	0.66				
	SST3-2E3	0.65				

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